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DISTRICT 19: Ward 2
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DISTRICT 20: Ward 3
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DISTRICT 21: Ward 4
Thomas Connors, Michael O'Keefe.
DISTRICT 22: Ward 5
Elaine Krasker, Frank Peterson.
DISTRICT 23: Ward 6
Cornelius Hobbs, William Keefe.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY BUDGET - 1975

1.	Commissioners Expense	$ 79,457.27
2.	Treasurer's-Deputy Treasurer	3,967.12
3.	County Attorney Expense	45,040.86
4.	Auditors	1,000.00
5.	Register of Deeds Expense	161,935.18
6.	Register of Probate	49,944.45
7.	Judge of Probate	2,000.00
8.	Maintenance	508,423.26
9.	Superior Court	280,000.00
10.	Sheriff Exp. (Rev. Sharing $200,000)	323,829.63
11.	Jail	204,899.33
12.	County Home	2,943,019.43
13.	Public Assistance	615,000.00
14.	Interest on Temporary Loan	107,120.00
15.	Interest on Bonds & Notes	125,109.30
16.	Payment on Bonds & Notes	223,000.00
17.	Cooperative Extension Service	89,692.11
18.	Delegation Expense	12,000.00
19.	Printing County Reports	1,800.00
20.	Insurance	26,894.00
21.	Medical Referee	16,000.00
22.	Farm	67,309.98

SPECIALS:

Crime Commission	12,000.00
Rockingham Conservation District	2,500.00
Fire Training	1,500.00
Human Services	84,024.00
Superior Court Improvement	10,100.00
Co. Home-Seed,Fert.Shrubbery	1,800.00
6 Cruisers (Rev. Sharing)	27,000.00
Register of Deeds	19,704.50
County Home Kitchen,Supply Rm.(Rev. Sharing)	54,500.00
Bicentennial	2,000.00
County Home Fire Protection	430,000.00
3/4 Ton Pick-Up Truck with Plow(Rev. Sharing)	6,200.00
2 Wheel Drive Tractor with Shovel (Rev. Sharing)	10,000.00
Spec. Items for County Home-Farm ($9,000 Rev. s)	58,650.00

Salary Adjustments	180,789.21
Interest on Temporary Loan	600.00
Renovation Underhill Bldg	10,000.00
	$6,798,809.63

ESTIMATED INCOME:

Asst. County Attorney	$ 10,850.00
County Home	2,042,753.26
Interest on Cert. of Deposit	50,000.00
Register of Deeds	182,908.49
Public Assistance	9,000.00
Probation Rent	6,000.00
Crime Commission Rent	1,500.00
Sheriff's Department	124,286.00
Maintenance	394,895.35
Farm	60,000.00
Water Pollution	1,361.00
Register of Probate	6,134.37
Commissioner's Expense	6,600.00
Short Term Note-Fire Project	230,000.00
REVENUE SHARING	306,700.00
NET BUDGET SURPLUS	369,739.17
TOTAL:	$3,802,727.64

AMOUNT NECESSARY TO BE RAISED BY COUNTY TAX....$2,996,081.99

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY ANNUAL REPORT-DISBURSEMENTS-1975

	1975 APPROPRIATION	1975 ACTUAL
Commissioner's Expense	$ 80,549.64	$ 80,247.99
Treasurer-Deputy Expense	4,067.12	3,851.79
Auditors	1,000.00	1,000.00
County Attorney Exp.	45,404.98	41,932.47
Register of Deeds Exp.	167,032.92	154,983.85
Register of Probate	52,129.19	49,982.93
Probate Court	2,000.00	1,863.90
Superior Court	280,000.00	305,463.84
Sheriff Exp. ($200,000 Rev. Sh)	332,773.63	345,563.34
Maintenance	516,433.99	511,901.43
Farm	72,038.23	68,710.56
County Home	3,083,808.64	3,042,467.37
County Jail	209,268.82	210,275.49
Old Age Assistance	421,000.00	263,737.51
Board & Care Children	110,000.00	99,975.49
Direct Relief	81,092.37	60,859.80
Interest on Temporary Loan	107,720.00	107,202.11
Interest on Bonds	125,109.30	125,109.30
Payment on Bonds	223,000.00	223,000.00
County Extension Service	89,692.11	90,257.67
Delegation Expense	12,000.00	9,652.16
Insurance	26,894.00	26,794.00
State Audit		807.43
Medical Referee	16,000.00	12,295.19
Encumbered	(166,005.16)	162,696.46
County Home Kitchen(Rev. Sh)	54,500.00	37,146.19

Register of Deeds (Spec.)	19,704.50	4,888.80
Renovation Underhill	10,000.00	1,750.00
Cap. Improv.-Court	10,100.00	10,011.32
6 Cruisers (Rev. Shar.)	27,000.00	27,000.00
Plow & Tractor (Rev. Shar.)	16,200.00	12,069.20
Crime Commission	12,000.00	12,000.00
Salary Adjustments	8,016.19	
County Home Feed & Fert.	1,800.00	1,800.00
Fire Protection	430,000.00	163.88
Rock. Conservation Dist.	2,500.00	2,500.00
Fire Training	1,500.00	1,500.00
Human Services	84,024.00	82,274.00
Bicentennial	2,000.00	2,000.00
County Home-Farm (Rev. Shar)	58,650.00	40,153.35
Printing County Report	1,800.00	885.00
	$6,798,809.63	$6,236,773.82

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY RECEIPTS - 1975

Commissioner's Expense	6,816.21
County Attorney	15,915.04
Register of Deeds	174,552.84
Register of Probate	5,650.03
Superior Court	5,526.94
Sheriff Dept.	140,189.01
Maintenance	377,687.53
Farm	60,422.88
County Home	2,069,870.12
County Jail	3,177.06
Sheriff Escrow Acct.	19,196.33
Int. on Cert. of Dep.	48,958.41
Public Assistance	3,939.86
Probation Rent & Crime Comm.	9,600.00
Water Pollution BX,Tel.Misc.	3,543.78
Revenue Sharing	264,780.40
Tax Abatement	4,586.19
Temporary Loan	2,996,081.99
NET BUDGET SURPLUS:	535,744.33
	$6,746,238.95

10 February 1975
Executive Committee Meeting
County Home, Brentwood, New Hampshire

PURPOSE: Review of 1975 Proposed County Budget

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Convention Chairman Kenneth L. Senter, who, after announcing the purpose of the meeting, asked for the roll call by the Clerk, Annie Mae Schwaner, to establish the presence of a quorum. Answering the call were the Honorable Representatives: Gillis, Griffin, Maynard, Connors, Ellis, Wilson, Page, Goodrich, Niebling, Skinner, Gage, Boucher, Goff, Read, Cummings, Schwaner, Cunningham, Senter.

GUESTS: Commissioners, Edward Howard, George Sampson, Edith Holland, Unwar Samaha, Karl Wuerker, Rep. Hoar, representatives from Family Planning, Day Care Ctrs. and Newmarket Care Ctr.

Rep. Senter gave the conduct of themeeting over to the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Charles E. Cummings.

It was decided early in the meeting that no discussion of wages or salaries would be entered on since that area was being covered by the Subcommittee on Salaries who would present its report later in the week. The subcommittees on various departments answered questions regarding budgets in their assigned areas and entered their recommendations for approval. The Executive Board's vote recommending acceptance of the departmental budgets specifically excluded salary increases and "Specials" which would not be discussed at this time.

The 1974 budget showing expenditures of $5,246,740.72; actual income of $5,782,485.05; less 1974 encumbrances of $166,005.15 and leaving a budget figure of $369,739.17 on motion duly voted was unanimously approved.

On Rep. Ellis' motion, it was voted to table discussion of proposed County Home maintenance "Specials" pending receipt of the report on Revenue Sharing by that subcommittee which is promised during the week. A later interjection of another proposal that would be funded through Revenue Sharing was abruptly terminated by the reminder of the vote tabling discussion. The motion was proposed and seconded that would remove it from the table but opposition to the removal led to withdrawal of the second and the motion. Since the public hearing is set for the coming Saturday at 9:30 a.m. and these things must be heard by the Executive Committee for recommendation before then, Rep. Maynard's motion was voted setting a meeting of the Revenue Sharing committee with the Commissioners for Wednesday afternoon. The report of the subcommittee would then be made to the Executive Committee on Saturday morning before the public hearing when it will meet in executive session. James Guyett, President of the United Public Servants Union, will address the board at that time also with regards to the County Home staff who have become dues-paying members of his organization.

Rep. Read reported his Salaries Subcommittee's executive action voting increases to $2420.00 for the Treasurer and to $300.00 for the Deputy Treasurer, and Rep. Senter moved that this increase be voted as presented by the subcommittee with the increase in social security to a recommended total of $2967.12. It was so voted.

Another recommendation was duly voted deleting the $2000.00 proposed for the Probate Judge's expense in the 1975 budget with Rep. Gillis voting in opposition. The subcommittee chairman, Rep. Gage, offered to return with substantive information after seeing Judge Treat on this item and presenting the Board's request for a figure representing the fees collected by his office. She was advised that it would be welcome input but that the recommendation for deletion would stand for presentation to the public.

Rep. Connors' motion was duly voted recommending an increase of the appropriation for Delegation Expense from $7000.00 to $12,000.00 due to increased participation of the Representatives with Representatives Goodrich and Skinner on record in opposition to the increase.

The Board of Commissioners was commended for their efforts in holding the proposed budget down to a level which shows a 3% decrease on last year's final figure.

Motion to adjourn was duly voted at 6:00 p.m.

Executive Board
February 15, 1975
County Home, Brentwood, New Hampshire

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Senter.

The roll call was answered by Representatives: Senter, Cunningham, Schwaner, Cummings, Wilson, Skinner, Read, Gage, Goof, Goodrich, Gillis, Niebling, Page, Ellis, Maynard, Griffin, Connors, Boucher.

PURPOSE: To review budget specials and the salary study.

The following motions were adopted: Rep. Cunningham moved that the sum of $10,000.00 be added to the budget for tile floors in the Underhill Building - a fireproof mandate. Rep. Cunningham moved that the sum of $500.00 as a token increase for County Commissioners' salaries be adopted. Rep. Gillis moved that we accept the salary committee's report as amended with the $500.00 adjustment.

Public Hearing
February 15, 1975
County Home, Brentwood, New Hampshire

PURPOSE: To Consider the Proposed Budget for 1975

The public hearing on the budget was held this date at the County Home in Brentwood, New Hampshire. The Executive Committee answered the roll call by the Clerk as follows: Representative: Senter, Cunningham, Schwaner, Cummings, Wilson, Skinner, Read, Gage, Goff, Goodrich, Gillis, Niebling, Page, Ellis, Maynard, Griffin, Connors, Boucher.

Also present were the Board of Commissioners; department heads, petitioners from various agencies seeking funding; members of the general public; and the press.

The meeting convened at 9:40 a.m. following the Executive Committee's adjournment of its executive session. Chairman Senter requested that each person recognized by the Chair identify himself by name and town before speaking. He introduced the newly elected Commissioner, Vesta M. Roy, to the body and thereafter turned the meeting over to the Executive Committee Chairman, Charles E. Cummings, who proceeded with the discussion of the proposed budget for 1975.

The Commissioners' salaries, currently $21,000.00, was the first item and a reported vote of the Executive Committee in its executive session proposed increasing that by a token $500.00 each for a total budget figure of $22,500.00 - a 7% increase. Edith Holland, Register of Deeds, spoke on behalf of the Commissioners, commending their dedication as hard-working, full-time people. The amount expended in 1974 in excess of the appropriation for Commissioners' expenses was explained by Commissioner Driscoll as a reimbursed expense incurred by the Board in its pursuit of its resultant designation as an eligible administrator of Manpower programs which has brought over Ten Million Dollars into the County from the federal government.

The County Attorney's budget was presented by G. Page Brown, Asst. County Attorney, and on the comment that there was no recommendation for a salary increase in this budget, Rep. Cunningham reported that no request had been made. The Assistant's salary will be 3/4 funded by the Crime Commission, he reported, with only the last quarter amounting to $3316.00, to come out of the budget. Sheriff Sampson and Unwar Samaha spoke in behalf of the County Attorney citing Carroll and Grafton Counties Attorneys' lesser workload and higher pay and the Clerk of Courts expressed his own opinion of Carleton Eldredge's performance in superlative terms. Attorney Aeschliman added his recommendation of the high excellence in which that office is run, recommending that it should be a full-time job with a commensurate pay in the vicinity of $25,000.00 to $30,000.00 per year. Rep. Cummings advised that it would be taken under consideration.

The operation of the Register of Deeds department was discussed regarding its income versus its expenses with the information that $654.00 has been received in oncome for 1974 over and above the amount expended. There was some disapproval expressed regarding the Register of Deeds' system of 2% step raises within the regular pay scale - plus the proposed addition of a 6% cost-of-living increase. Commissioner Southwick advised that her employees are receiving below average pay and that this small step increase was her way of providing some incentive for them. Rep. Read declared that the increases his subcommittee had agreed upon was 20¢ per hour for all non-salaried employees which would actually amount to more than the 6% increase she had requested since her employees are underpaid.

Unwar Samaha, the Clerk of Courts, outlined the reasons for his indefinite, "either/or" estimate of income which will depend upon the passage of a bill presently in the legislature. If successful, the bill will allow an increase in court fees for entry of a suit, static

for a number of years, adding as estimated $60,000.00 to his anticipated income for 1975. Under the "Specials" portion of the budget the Superior Court has requested permission for implementing what he categorized as capital improvements, estimated at a cost of $20,000.00

Nicholas Aeschliman, Chairman of the Rockingham County Bar Association and the Courthouse Study Committee, spoke to the study committee's special request for $1500.00 to finance the fee of architect Donald Sumner to work with this committee of attorneys and a committee to be appointed by the Convention Chairman to deal with the problem of additional space requirements for Superior Court. Representatives Maynard, Ellis and Parr and Brentwood Selectmen Cross, among others, were negative in ther attitude toward any expenditures in that area.

The Sheriff's budget was readily understood with some focus on the amount set aside for tobacco for the prisoners in the form of "Domino" cigaretts which have been supplied as a small reward for many years as incentive for the work which is done by the prisoners on the farm and in the grounds of the County Home and Jail.

Regarding the County Home's increase in proposed appropriations as compared against 1974, Commissioner Driscoll attributed it to the number of patients now housed there on a full-year basis with 210 patients in residence there at the first of last year as compared to the present full house of 304 patients.

The figure on interest on Temporary Loans was reportedly down $51,000.00 from the original estimate since a favorable interest rate of 4.11 per cent had been received on the annual loan in anticipation of taxes, reducing the estimate to its present $107,120.00.

Edward Upham and Bernard Campbell were present to answer questions pertaining to the Extension Service and Rep. Benton questioned their degree of satisfaction with the transfer to the Carlisle Building, eliciting the assurance that they were very happy there and looking forward to completion of the other half of the building.

Selectmen Irving Cross of Brentwood reported for the County's information that his town had saved $500.00 in the cost of printing its annual report and would be happy to advise anyone interested in how they, too, could achieve that saving.

The increase in the farm's budget was attributed to the increased cost of fertilizer and grain by Will Ellsworth, the Farm Manager.

Uses of some of the Crime Commission's funds were recited by Sheriff Sampson as having bought electric doors for the front of the Courthouse, allowing closed-circuit TV coverage there after hours; a dispatch center for the jail; a portable radio set for loan to towns when theirs are out of order; etc.

The Conservation Commission's request was primarily for the cost of secretarial assistance and work of that nature, Mr. Upham advised. The Fire Training request for $1500.00 is for the mutual aid system,

the same amount appropriated in 1974.

Rep. Campbell spoke in behalf of the Family Planning group together with Rep. Blanchette, Human Services Subcommittee member, who ably represented that group with all pertinent information requested. Rep. Benton spoke on behalf of the Visiting Nurses Association and commended its services to those people who might otherwise have to go into nursing homes. Mrs. Rasmussen explained the Homemakers Association request for $10,000.00 for its operation. Rep. Blanchette supported the needs of the Day Care Centers which had made requests for funding in four areas for a total of $31,500.00. All of the foregoing service groups are in a questionable category awaiting the decision of the Tax Commissioner for direction on whether such appropriations might be considered illegal at the Countylevel. Newmarket Health Care might be excluded from that decision since it would be eligible under the funding for the elderly through the State Council on Aging.

The $1800.00 requested for fertilizer, seed and shrubs was explained by Commissioner Roy as being necessary for the Spring completion of the landscaping around the Blaisdell Building, an area which has been graded and levelled and the loam spread. At this point the Farm Manager advised that an additional 10% should be added to that figure to allow for the increased cost of fertilizer.

The $54,500.00 for the kitchen and supply room was broken down to $35,000.00 for a new dishwashing machine for the kitchen and $19,500.00 for installing new metal shelving in the supply room, necessary for conformance to the life safety code, Administrator Horrocks explained.

Rep. Parr reported that the request for $2000.00 would be only a loan since she expects to be able to replace it through the sale of special, commemorative items. A contest in the schools for a design to be chosen for a flag for Rockingham County is another of her committee's plan: there are only three county flags in the state and Rockingham County has never had one, she said. Many other plans were outlined in long-neglected areas such as marking local, historic landmarks.

The special item for fire protection for the County Home buildings at a proposed cost of $430,000.00 was delayed until the arrival of some of the firemen in the mutual aid system. Their arrival introduced a detailed outline of the fire protection system which would include the installation of sprinkler and smoke detector systems in buildings; pump house and fire hydrants; and water lines from the pond at the rear of the Home. Chief Fralic of Brentwood and Chief Donald Lane of Portsmouth were among the firemen who favorably recommended the total system while several members of the Convention and the general public spoke to the need for only a partial installation.

Sheriff Sampson's budget for the Jail and House of Correction contained a special item for a Torginol (poured flooring) installation which he had since investigated and reported it to be unsatisfactory, a finding supported by Rep. Senter's information.

Commissioner Southwick explained the need for the 3/4 T. backhoe quoted at $6200.00 which would be of use in all seasons in several departments. Several items of the Maintenance Department's specials had been reconsidered by the Commissioners and deleted, including the replacement of a section of the old tunnel roof at a cost of $18,000.00 and the high pressure steam line estimated at $30,000.00. The addition of $10,000.00 is proposed to increase the total proposed budget to $68,650.00 for installing asphalt tile in Underhill Building.

A detailed explanation of the manner in which the figure proposed for an increase in wages for all employees was offered by Rep. Read. He said that the median wage was found to be $3.20/hr. and 6% of that amount, or 20¢/hr. per employee - $436.80 per person per year x 465 employees would equal $203,112.00 plus social security of $11,882.05. The total cost of the increase in the budget for a full year would be $214,994.05, but since the increase would become effective on March 1, 1975, only ten months would be payable from this budget, reducing it by $36,157.84 and producting a total expenditure of $180,789.21.

Rep. Blanchette reported that although not printed on the proposed buget sheet, a request for funding had been presented by Child and Family Services which is asking $5000.00. Mrs. Copithorne, its Director, addressed the group outlining the need.

Regarding the request of the Portsmouth Housing Authority, it was requested that $1618.99 be deleted from the original request, reducing it to $6525.00 Beverly Reynolds, Director of Seacoast and Strafford Retired Citizens Volunteer Program, requested $2000.00, a part of the Portsmouth Housing's original request for $9000.00. Jack Buckley, representing the Youth Service Center in Portsmouth presented his group's request for $5000.00 for their needs in councilling young people.

Rep. Hoar in his observation on Human Services,as chairman of that subcommittee, expressed the opinion that the overlapping of services might warrant an investigation into the possibility of implementing an umbrella plan which could eliminate any duplication of services.

Rep. Scamman suggested that in view of the Welfare Department's figure presented to the Legislature which questioned its ability to pay as much to nursing homes in the coming year with the cuts applied to its budget, that the Executive Board consider the possible decrease in revenue before adopting the County's figure on estimated income for the County Home.

The total amount raised by taxes in 1974 was stated at $3,087,730.41. The budget surplus in 1974 amounted to $535,744.33, less encumbrances of $166,005.15 of a surplus balance of $369,739.17. The proposed amount to be raised by County tax for 1975 is estimated at $3,569,132.98.

Commissioner Southwick outlined one more item not included in the budget figure at the present time, i.e., $307,000.00 to be used from Revenue Sharing to reduce the amount to be raised by taxes, plus $230,000.00 to come in as a loan if permission to budget the full

$430,000.00 for the fire protection betterments is voted - reducing it by $500,000.00 +/-.

February 21, 1975
Executive Committee Meeting
Brentwood, New Hampshire

PURPOSE: To make its recommendations on the proposed budget for 1975

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Convention Chairman, Kenneth Senter, who asked the Clerk to call the roll. Present were Representatives Senter, Cunningham Schwaner, Cummings, Wilson, Read, Boucher, Skinner, Gage, Goff, Goodrich, Gillis, Niebling, Page, Ellis, Maynard, Griffin and Connors.

The presence of a quorum having been established, Rep. Senter turned the gavel over to Executive Committee Chairman Cummings who proceeded with the order of business by first calling on Bernard Campbell who asked to be heard on behalf of the Extension Service relative to information not presented at the Public Hearing. Mr. Campbell cited the individual changes made in the original proposed budget reducing it from $90,762.31 to $89,692.11 through lesser proposed wage increases applied on a merit basis and in cutting mileage expenses. Rep. Cunningham commended the method of applying wage increases on an earned basis: $89,692.11 was duly voted.

Judge Treat explained that his budget request for $2000.00 did not fully cover his expenses but would be applied to the cost of books, forms, travel, telephone, stationery, stamps, etc., which the statutes mandate are chargeable to the County. Following his departure, Rep. Niebling moved that the $2000.00 expense item deleted by the Executive Board on February 10, 1975 be restored to the budget, duly seconded. Rep. Griffin moved the question, seconded by Rep. Maynard and a unanimous vote reinstated and recommended the $2000.00 requested.

The figure proposed for Commissioner's Expenses - $74,607.27 - was corrected by Rep. Cummings to include the $5000.00 each that the Executive Board had voted for an increase in their salaries to a total proposed expense of $76,107.27. Commissioner Southwick reported that $4100.00 would be added to that figure for the salary of the payroll clerk at the County Home who is on the Commissioner's budget. Rep. Boucher moved that the salaries for the commissioners stay at $21,000.00, negating the recommended $5000.00 raise previously voted - seconded. The Board adjourned to a closed session to discuss the motion and, on reconvening, it was announced that $250.00 had been voted for the increase instead of $500.00, bringing the total salaries to $21,750.00. Chairman Cummings called for a vote on the separate expense figure of $57,707.27 which was unanimously voted.

The division of Treasurer's and Deputy Treasurer's salaries, $2720.00, and Treasurer's expenses - $1247.12, combined for a total of $3967.00 was moved by Rep. Griffin who included the wish that Bill Lothrop will have many years of good health because if we should need a new treasurer, this figure will skyrocket: heartily seconded and duly voted.

The County Attorney's salary of $15,000.00 was discussed and Rep. Maynard moved that his position be designated as full time at a salary of $23,000.00, duly seconded. Rep. Cummings declared this to be a matter of policy change rather than salary. A vote on the motion was negative. A new motion offered by Rep. Cunningham and Rep. Ellis proposed that the Chairman of the Convention appoint a study committee to check into a change of policy for the County Attorney's office and report back no later than March 1st. Rep. Gillis and Griffin opposed. Rep. Griffin disapproved of another study committee since the report of the last one had received no action. The motion was restated, moving that the Chairman of the Convention appoint a committee to study the County Attorney's job and salary relative to a change of policy and to report back no later than December 1, 1975. The motion was unanimously voted with opposing votes recorded by Reps. Griffin and Maynard. A vote on the original motion for $15,000.00 salary for the County Attorney was in favor, with Reps. Griffin, Maynard and Cunningham opposed.

The amount of $47,504.27 for County Attorney's expenses was corrected by Mrs. Walker who reported that he had reduced that figure to $30,000.00 for expenses plus the $15,000.00 for his salary. Rep. Ellis moved for $45,040.86, duly seconded and voted with opposition recorded by Reps. Maynard and Griffin.

Quickly voted recommendations were made for $1000.00 for the auditors; $17,500.00 for the Register of Deeds, plus her expenses of $164,139.68 or a total of $181,639.68; Register of Probate Expenses of $49,944.45 was voted; Maintenance at $508,432.26; and Superior Court at $280,000.00.

The Sheriff's salary of $12,600.00 and expenses of $311,229.63 was discussed and Rep. Griffin, when informed the new deputy was a man, announced that she would abstain from voting. It was voted that the Sheriff should be called to discuss his budget. On his arrival, he answered Rep. Griffin's inquiries regarding the number and placement of women in his department. Rep. Griffin said that since 50% of jurors are women, there should be a woman deputy in the courtroom - not a man - and that a female deputy should be in charge of females taken into custody and brought before the Court. She moved a recommendation for an additional appropriation to the Sheriff's expenses to include the funding of a female deputy, suggesting that the subcommittee work with the Sheriff on the amount needed. Rep. Boucher spoke in opposition to the motion as unnecessary suggesting that the decision to hire a female deputy should not be forced on the Sheriff. The question was moved and a vote on the motion was negative. The Sheriff was informed by the Chairman that the Board had decided to leave the decision on the need for a female deputy to him.

Voted recommendations were the jail's budget of $204,899.33; County Home - $2,943,019.43 and O.A.A. $300,000.00. Board and Care of Children was voted $110,000.00 and a question of its adequacy was answered by the Commissioners with the information that it was a projected figure based on the past three months and, if necessary, a transfer may be possible. Duly voted. Interest on Temporary Loans was voted at $107,120.00 and Interest on Bonds and Notes voted $223,000.00.

Regarding salaries, Rep. Read requested that motion including salaries be brought back because of the $180,000.00 to be recommended by the subcommittee which would allow 20¢/hr. increase for all 465 hourly employees.

The $12,000.00 recommendations was voted for Convention Expense with four votes recorded in opposition by Reps. Goodrich, Griffin, Ellis and Skinner. $1800.00 for the printing of the County Report was moved and seconded. Commissioner Southwick reported the receipt of only one bid for this year's printing at a cost of $11.00 per page. The $1800.00 was duly voted with the suggestion it be resubmitted for bids.

Recommendations were voted for insurance at $26,894.00; Medical Referee $16,000.00; Farm budget of $67,309.89; and, under specials - Crime Commission $12,000.00. Family Planning representative Judy Stokes explained the request for $15,000.00 which is currently being matched 9-1. Asked if she would come in next year with requests on an individual town, contractual basis, she agreed to look into it. Motion was duly voted recommending $10,000.00 for Family Planning.

The Portsmouth Housing Authority requested $6525.00 to cover several programs, including the Retired Citizens Volunteer Program (RSVP) for $2000.00 which was voted recommendation, excluding the remaining programs. Day Care Centers were voted $31,100.00; Newmarket Health Center $8424.00. On a show of hands - 10 to 5 with one invoking Rule 16, Homemakers Association and Derry VNA was voted $17,500.00 with a recommendation for separation of the two.

The "Special" request by Superior Court for capital improvements amounting to $20,000.00 was duly voted. Reconsideration was moved and seconded with Rep. Griffin in opposition. Following the affirmative vote, the item for carpeting was the center of debate and resulting in a vote for the recommended appropriation of $10100.00, eliminating the carpeting and adding storm windows for the area.

The committee of Bar Association members which is making a study of the need for a new courthouse had presented a request for $1500.00 to be used toward payment for the services of an architect: no recommendation for appropriation was made.

The Register of Deeds "Special" of $19,704.50 was duly voted. Later in the meeting, however, Rep. Ellis moved for reconsideration noting that this figure was included in the Register's breakdown of expenses and, unless removed, would not be a special item. Reconsideration of the Expense figure of $164,139.68 was duly voted and Rep. Ellis moved that the changes be made showing the Register of Deeds expense, exclusive of salaries, recommended at $144,435.18 with recommendation for the "Special" item of $19,704.50: duly voted.

Rep. Cunningham moved $54,500.00 for the County Home kitchen and supply room, duly voted. Rep. Parr's request for $2000.00 on a loan basis for the Bicentennial Committee's initial expenses was duly voted.

Discussion of $430,000.00 proposed for fire protection at the County Home led to Rep. Senter's motion to appropriate $380,000.00 instead,

seconded by Rep. Griffin. Rep. Senter argued that it was unnecessary to do all the installation at once and Rep. Boucher concurred. Rep. Senter said his motion would include the deletion of $50,000.00 for heat detectors in those buildings with sprinkler installations. Lengthy exchanges involved debate on the merits of sprinklers vs. detectors. Rep. Cunningham said he could not in good conscience eliminate any method of protection and he moved for the full installation and was reminded that a motion was already on the floor. The Fire Marshall's recommendation was reported affirmatively for the total proposed system and a letter from Chief Toland of Exeter recommended and endorsed the entire package. The Chairman called for a vote on the motion to delete $50,000.00 for heat detectors in buildings already equipped with sprinklers and a show of hands showed 3 in favor, 11 opposed, defeating the motion. Rep. Cunningham offered the motion for the total $430,000.00, duly seconded, with the note that it be understood that this group would have the say of making payment out to Revenue Sharing for the next two years with $200,000.00 from Revenue Sharing and $230,000.00 in notes. Motion was seconded by Rep. Ellis who questioned the inclusion of Revenue Sharing in it. Following comments on funding, Rep. Cunningham withdrew the funding portion of his motion and, restated, the motion to adopt the $430,000.00 fro the County Home Fire protection was unanimously voted with Rep. Senter opposed.

Rep. Griffin moved no recommendation be made for $1000.00 requested for the County's subcommittee to study courthouse special requirements. The general opinion prevailed that it could be accomplished without special funding and it was voted no recommendation. Rep. Boucher moved for deletion of the item from the face sheet which was also unanimously voted.

$6200.00 was voted for purchase of a 3/4 T. pickup truck with plow. $19,000.00 proposed for a two-wheel-drive tractor with backhoe and shovel was moved and seconded. Rep. Ellis amended the motion to $18,000.00. Rep. Boucher said he had been requested not to support this purchase because of its intended use. Vote on the motion and amendment was called with Rep. Read expressing preference for the $19,000.00 figure moved. Rep. Ellis withdrew his amendment and the call to move the question on $19,000.00 was voted leading to a unanimous vote to recommend.

Rep. Gage reported Rep. Wilson's wish that the County buy a mini van which Commissioner Southwick said he had been investigating for purchase through the same method used by driver education programs. Rep. Griffin moved that the procedure for an enabling contract for obtaining the van be pursued with Rep. Ellis seconding the resolution authorizing the Commissioners to take $1.00 from their expenses and negotiating for the mini bus. Motion was duly voted.

Maintenance Dept./Farm Special of $58,650.00 was moved and duly voted. $10,000.00 was moved and duly voted for asphalt flooring in the Underhill Building as a special line item.

A request by Commissioner Southwick that the Commissioners be allowed, if necessary, the expense of $600.00 for the interest on a loan to borrow monies to complete the construction of the sewer system against

the federal monies which will reimburse them was moved and voted recommendation.

A motion by Rep. Ellis that $180,789.21 be recommended for all wage increases was duly voted. The Revenue Sharing total of $306,700.00 in round figures for five items was moved and voted approval.

The $5000.00 requested for Youth Service Center, PAFB presented by Seacoast Regional Councilling Center received a motion not to recommend by Rep. Ellis which was duly voted with Reps. Griffin and Connors in opposition.

Child and Family Services was moved non-recommendation by Rep. Ellis, seconded by Rep. Boucher. Debated, it was put to a motion and defeated. Rep. Read moved that the request be brought in without recommendation, seconded by Rep. Cunningham and duly voted.

Port House's application for an unspecified amount requested only consideration and Rep. Boucher moved that we accept the report, seconded by Rep. Griffin, and duly voted. Rep. Ellis moved that we show Port House on the face sheet with no recommendation, allowing them to come in and explain the purpose of their request - duly voted.

Rep. Page moved, seconded by Rep. Connors, that all specials presented to the County must be in the Commissioners' hands two weeks before they start to work on the budget; that that Chairman of the Convention appoint a committee to check them; and that the Commissioners advertise same in several newspapers serving the County. Unanimously voted.

Rep. Cunningham moved acceptance of the Estimated income figure of $2,939,783.00. Duly voted.

Commissioner Driscoll reminded the Board that last year it had been necessary to call a special meeting to request authorization for the Commissioners to administer the Manpower Program and that if permission is given now by the Board to consider favorably the request to present the same question before the full Convention, it will save the cost of another special meeting. It was duly voted.

March 1, 1975

PURPOSE: Final Approval of the County Budget for 1975

Representative Senter, Chairman of the Convention, called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m. in the Hilton Auditorium of the Blaisdell Building at the County Home in Brentwood, N.H. and called upon the Reverend George Fisher to offer the invocation. Thereafter, Commissioner Vesta Roy led the salute to the flag.

The Chairman requested Rep. Schwaner, the Clerk, to call the roll which was answered as follows: King, Benton, Wilson, Boucher, Gaskill, Kashulines, Skinner, Thibeault, Barka, Bisbee, Gorman, MacGregor, Read, Senter, Campbell, Gage, Goff, Sayer, Flanagan, Reese, Webster, Cummings, Danforth, Erler, Goodrich, Hoar, Sanborn, Simard, Schwaner, Tavitian, Rogers, Cressy, Randall, Cunningham, Twardus,

Harney, Scamman, Wolfsen, Ellis, Richards, Appel, Greene, Lockhart, Maynard, O'Connell, Griffin, Splaine, Cotton, Dame, McEachern, Connors, O'Keefe, Krasker, Peterson, Hobbs.

A suggestion was offered that in coming years this final meeting on the budget be held on a date other than the Saturday preceding Town Meeting Day since it coincided with other, very important local meetings.

Rep. Senter turned the meeting over to the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Rep. Cummings, who proceeded with the first item on the budget. The duly seconded motion to accept the recommended amount of $21,750.00 for the Commissioner's salaries was followed by an amendment to increase it by $1,500.00 each to $8,500.00 per year for two years. Rep. Cummings reported that in its executive session the Executive Committee had voted a $500.00 increase which at a later meeting had been reconsidered and a $250.00 token increase voted instead, thus the $21,750.00 originally moved today. Rep. Boucher opposed the original motion and the amendment. A call to limit debate was voted and the resultant voice vote on the amendment was declared indecisive leading to call for a division and the count of a show of hands was unanimously opposed. A further amendment was offered and seconded increasing the salaries by $1,000.00 each, with Rep. Maynard speading to it and expressing his opposition to the $250.00 recommendation, citing the statute which would preclude the Commissioners receiving an increase for another two years. Rep. Griffin supported his amendment and his argument, followed by equally strong statements in opposition by Representatives Barka, Hoar and Erler. A voice vote on the amendment to a total of $24,000.00 was indecisive and a call for division brought only 11 favorable votes; the Chairman declared it defeated. He then called for a vote on the original motion for the recommended $21,750.00, received another indecisive voice vote and a call for division which Rep. Tavitian counted on a standing vote as 35 in favor and 22 opposed-and the motion was declared voted. Rep. Hoar's motion for reconsideration, duly seconded was unanimously opposed.

Individually moved and duly voted accepted were the following recommendations: Commissioner's Expense $57,707.27, $2,720.00 Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer Salaries, $1,247.12 Treasurer's Expense, Auditors $1,000.00, Register of Deeds Salary $17,500.00 and Expenses of $144,435.18, $2,000 for Probate Judge. The Register of Probate's Expense $49,944.45 increased due to additional staffing to expedite microfilming of old records with the old series given a projected completion date of December 1975. The discussion of the County Attorney's budget was tabled on motion duly voted pending his arrival at his telephone request. The Maintenance Dept. budget of $508,423.26 cited its large inventory of stock as the enabling cause of limiting its large inventory of stock as the enabling cause of limiting its expenses. Superior Court's budget of $280,000.00 was voted without discussion.

The Sheriff's salary of $12,600.00, Expenses of $311,229.63 and the Jail's recommended budget of $204,899.33 were duly voted. The Sheriff noted that there was an increase of roughly 9% in operating costs in his department with the wry reminder that hard times generally increase business in his area.

$2,943,019.43 for the County Home was duly voted. Commissioner Roy

addressed the body on the Old Age Assistance budget and respectfully requested that an additional $125,000.00 be voted to the $300,000.00 recommended in the budget for a total of $425,000.00. Citing a report given by Thomas Hooker, Director of Welfare for the State, that the counties are being asked to subsidize the 20% State Portion because of a lack of additional funds, Commissioner Roy noted that by making up that amount we will receive the 60% federal portion and the $125,000.00 would be coming back in as estimated income. If approved, the Commissioner declared, it would not alter the amount to be raised by taxes. Rep. Senter so moved for the figure of $425,000 for OAA and it was duly voted.

The arrival of Carleton Eldredge, the County Attorney, prompted the vote to remove his budget from the table. The salary recommendation of $15,000.00 was moved and seconded after which Rep. Maynard moved that the motion be amended to $17,000.00. Rep. Griffin supported the amendment, reporting that she and Rep. Maynard had previously proposed an increase to $23,000.00 and a re-rating of the position to a full-time scale which the Board had opposed. Rep. Boucher's argument in opposition to the amendment was backed by Rep. Gorman who felt that a $2,000.00 increase now would disallow an increase for him next year. Rep. Gillis also spoke in favor of the increase but Chairman Cummings and Rep. Ellis advised the body and the County Attorney that there had been a motion voted by the Executive Board to appoint a study committee to evaluate his office's workload, his personnel requirements and to offer a recommendation for commensurate compensation for the County Attorney that would be more in line with his expertise and his worth to the County. The study committee is to report back to the Executive Committee no later than December 1, 1975 so that a decision could be reached on the whole question. Rep. Parr moved the question on the amendment to $17,000.00 and a voice vote, again indecisive, resulted in a call for division. A hand vote was counted by Rep. Tavitian as 28 in favor, 31 opposed, thus defeating it. Rep. Griffin asked for a roll call which received proper seconding and the Clerk's count resulted in 26 yeas and 36 nays with Rep. Sayer involing Rule 16, and it was defeated. Again presenting the motion before the body the Chairman requested and received a vote affirming the recommended salary of $15,000.00. The County Attorney's expense in the recommended amount of $30,040.86 was voted adopted.

$110,000.00 was voted for Board and Care of Children. Rep. Skinner's motion accepting $80,000.00 for Direct Relief, seconded by Rep. Cunningham led to Rep. Skinner's observation that the economy could produce a shortage in this area. Rep. Cunningham saaured the body that the Executive Session of the Board had made a precautionary agreement for that: should the need arise, the Commissioners could request a special meeting of the Executive Board for consideration of the need, and if in agreement, the Board's recommendation would then go to the Convention requesting support. Chairman Cummings call for a vote on the motion met unanimous approval.

Rep. Schwaner moved that the following three items Interest on Temporary Loans $107,120.00, Interest on Bonds & Notes for $125,109.30 and Payment on Bonds and Notes for $223,000.00 be accepted on her single motion, duly seconded and unanimously voted.

The recommendation of $89,692.11 for the Cooperative Extension Service was moved and duly voted. Convention Expense with its recommended increase to $12,000.00 was moved and duly voted. Approvals were moved and duly voted on the Printing of County Report at %1,800.00, Insurance $26,894.00, Medical Referee $16,000.00, Farm $67,309.98.

Rep. Hoar noted that in considering "Specials" listed it should be remembered that federal and state funds tend to dry up in many instances resulting in their total reliance on the local government.

The first item under "Specials" the $12,000.00 recommendation for the Crime Commission was duly voted, as was the Rockingham Conservation District's request for $2,500.00.

Rep. Appel offered the motion to adopt the amount of $15,000.00 for Family Planning rather than the $10,000.00 recommended, elaborating on its benefit to the County as a whole. Rep. Blanchette gave an in-depth report on the total operation plus the projection for the coming year which, if fully funded, would allow for the establishment of an additional center in the Town of Raymond. Action moving the question was duly voted and the motion to adopt the $15,000.00 moved was voted unanimously.

Rep. W. Douglas Scamman was called forward by Rep. Goodrich who, speaking on behalf of the members, commended him for the marvelous job he had done in 1973 and 1974 as Chairman of the Executive Committee and presented him with a gift in appreciation for his services which she explained they had waited to make until the entire Convention membership met. Her high praise of his ability was supported by the body in a standing ovation.

Following a brief adjournment for lunch, the meeting reconvened with the consideration of the proposed purchase of six cruisers for the Sheriff's Department through Revenue Sharing monies, appropriating $27,000.00 therefor. On a motion duly voted, approval was given.

The Homemaker's Association & Derry Visiting Nurse Association had been recommended for appropriation of $17,500.00 and Rep. Benton moved for approval, speaking for the partial amount of $7,500.00 for the Derry VNA and displaying a chart which explicitly demonstrated the separation of services and coverage. Rep. Griffin spoke to the remaining $10,000. for the Homemakers' Association citing its great service to the whole County. Rep. Niebling suggested separation of the two which, as shown, caused confusion each time it come up, with Rep. Parr in agreement. After hearing the coverage afforded all other areas, Rep. Sayer moved that as an amendment, $7,500.00 be appropriated for the Salem area, duly seconded and commended by Rep. Goff. The method of interjecting this addition met with some objection with Rep. Gage noting that there was no proposed budget for that additional amount presented to the Executive Board. Rep. Parr moved a further amendment alloting $7,500.00 for the towns such as Atkinson which are not covered. Put to a vote, the amendments were defeated. Reverting to the original motion for $17,500., Rep. Senter advised that a subcommittee would coordinate all these programs to avoid confusion over labels and leave none out. Motion was voted limiting debate and a vote on the original motion affirmed the $17,500.00 recommended with Reps. Gage, Goff and Sayer recorded in opposition.

A motion duly seconded for appropriation of $31,100.00 for Day Care Centers was firmly opposed by Rep. Erler on the grounds that though needed, the participating towns should fund them - not the County. The funding was explained proportionately by Rep. Blanchette earmarking $9,000.00 for Salem, $9,000.00 for Portsmouth, $7,500.00 for Newmarket and $5,600.00 for Kingston Day Care Centers, a total appropriation of $31,100.00. Call for a vote in the motion was unanimously in favor with Rep. Erler requesting that his opposition be recorded.

$8,424.00 recommended for the Newmarket Health Center for the operating cost of two vans used mainly, but not exclusively, for the transportation of elderly people was discussed to the point of limiting debate. A voice vote on the motion the Chairman declared was not decisive. Call for a roll call was sufficiently seconded and resulted in 34 yeas, 22 nays, with Rep. Cummings abstaining, and it was so voted. Rep. Hoar asked for reconsideration and was unanimously denied.

The request for funding for Child and Family Services had received no recommendation by the Human Services Subcommittee, its chairman explained, because they wanted to leave that decision to the Convention. Rep. Erler moved for an appropriation of $5,000.00, duly seconded, and Mrs. Copithorne, its director, made her presentation of the need stating that it was not federally funded and had severed the entire County for a number of years in family counselling and helping troubled children. A vote to limit debate left the motion for $5,000.00 to a vote which was unanimously in favor.

Regarding the recommendation of $2,000.00 to the Portsmouth Housing Authority RSVP, Rep. Krasker moved that in its stead, the amount of $4,525.00 be appropriated. The original $2,000.00 would be for RSVP; $1,000.00 for the Social Service Information and Referral Center; and $1,525.00 for the Meals on Wheels program. Following seconding of her motion, she spoke to it with ready answers to queries and, on vote to end debate, a voice vote called for by the Chairman was declared as opposed. A call for division and count of a standing vote showed only 17 in favor, the majority opposed and it was voted down. A motion for appropriation of the recommended $2,000.00 for RSVP was duly seconded after vote to limit debate and it was duly voted.

Rep. Lockhart moved the appropriation of $5000.00 to the Youth Service Center, PAFB, duly seconded. No recommendation had been made by the subcommittee or the Executive Board but Rep. Lockhart and Rep. Cotton spoke to it as an asset in helping youthful development, getting children in the 14-17 age group to summer camps and councilling young people referred by the courts and social agencies. LEAA has done an evaluation, Rep. Cressy was informed, which recommended its continuation. Following vote to move the question and limit debate, a show of hands asked for by the Chairman was counted as 24 in favor, 20 opposed, and it was declared a vote for the appropriation of $5,000.00 for the Youth Service Center.

Port House's application for an unspecified sum had received no substantiating information for recommendation by committees and vote to accept the negative recommendation of the Executive Committee was unanimous.

The Superior Court Capital Improvement request recommended at $10, 100.00 was moved and seconded and, in answer to Rep. Gorman's request for explanation of the original request for $20,000.00 as opposed to the recommended figure, Rep. Ellis explained that the committee had deleted the proposed carpeting and added $600.00 for storm windows. Voted to limit debate, the motion to appropriate $10,100.00 was unanimously approved.

The Superior Court Study Committee's request for $1500.00 had received a negative recommendation by the Executive Committee. Short debate was limited by vote and motion was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation for no funding.

Rep. Skinner's motion, duly seconded, allowing $1800.00 expenditure for fertilizer, shrubs and seed for landscaping the Blaisdell Building was unanimously voted.

Rep. Cunningham moved the Register of Deeds special request for $19, 704.50, duly seconded, and, in answer to Rep. Tavitian's query, Rep. Niebling advised that $4704.50 would buy a new Eastman Kodak viewer needed for the increased volume of microfilm now available and the remaining amount would fund the second half of a two-year contract consolidating the indexing of records for the years 1920-1939. Vote to move the question was followed by a unanimous favorable vote approving the appropriation.

A Revenue Sharing item of $54,500.00 for the kitchen and supply room was moved and seconded to cover the purchase of a new dishwashing machine and for steel shelving in the supply room at the Home required under the life safety code: unanimously voted.

Rep. Parr's request for $2000.00 for the Bicentennial Committee's initial expenses was moved and seconded and she explained the possibility of obtaining matching funds if certain requirements are met. She saw the appropriation as a loan, repayable through the sale of commemorative items. Rep. Erler requested that his commendation of Rep. Parr for her work on this committee be recorded. The item was unanimously voted.

$430,000.00 for fire protection at the County Home was moved by Rep. Griffin, including in her motion that $2000,000.00 Revenue Sharing be applied to the Sheriff's budget to reduce the amount to be raised by taxes by $200,000.00 and to appropriate a sum not to exceed $430,000. for fire protection at the County Home with authority for the Commissioners to borrow a sum not to exceed $230,000.00 on a short-term, two-year note, one half to be paid in 1976 and the remainder to be paid in 1977. Duly seconded and put to a vote, it was unanimously approved. Rep. Cunningham commended the cooperation of the fire chiefs from area towns who had given so much of their time and their expertise in developing this plan for improving the Home's fire protection.

A $10,000.00 appropriation was moved and seconded for asphalt flooring in the Underhill Building to cover recommendations by the Bureau of Hospital Services for work which must be done in order to qualify it for Welfare funds: non compliance would cut off funding for patients in that building, Commissioner Southwick stated, noting that the work

would be done in cooperation with the Building Committee. The motion was duly voted.

Commissioner Southwick requested the opportunity to address the Convention on behalf of the Board of Commissioners to thank them for voting the two issues for which the Board has fought so hard - particularly the fire protection betterments for the Home.

Rep. Gorman said he wanted to make a strong motion that in the future the County budget be prepared so that no item shall appear in it unless it shall serve the entire County and also, if it does, that it not be listed as pertaining to any one town in the County: duly seconded. Rep. Richards opposed the motion as restrictive, saying that it reaches too far ahead. Commissioner Southwick reminded the body that Mr. LaPlante's letter outlined the legal limit of appropriation but that these appropriations on special requests for funding will be sent to him for approval. If he feels they are illegal, they will go the the Attorney General, the Commissioner said, and having him authorize these monies will accomplish what you are trying to do. Rep. Gorman replied that on that basis, he would withdraw his motion.

Rep. Senter moved acceptance of the entire Estimated Income as presented, plus the $125,000.00 vote for increased O.A.A., duly seconded and unanimously voted.

Commissioner Driscoll rose to ask the Convention to vote as they had in the previous year to authorize the Commissioners contract for, receive and expend funds from the federal and state governments, consistent with the law, in connection with the Manpower program under Title VI, through which the County expects to receive a minimum of $2,000,000.00 through the end of 1975. It was so moved and duly voted.

Rep. Appel expressed the wish and so moved that in the coming year the appropriate persons shall send out copies of the recommended budget to the Convention members so that they can receive it at least one day in advance of the full Convention meeting.

Under special items for consideration $1,500.00 was moved and seconded for Fire Training and was unanimously voted.

The Estimated Income for the County Home of $1,717,753.26 was discussed and motion made by Rep. Senter that it be accepted with the addition of the $125,000.00 previously voted as additional income to the County Home. It was then moved and seconded to approve this income of $1,842.753.26 and unanimously voted.

It was moved and seconded that the Rockingham County Budget for 1975 of $6,798.809.63 with $3,602.727.64 estimated income be approved with $3,196,081.99 as the amount necessary to be raised by County Tax: unanimously approved.

May 5, 1975
Executive Committee
County Home, Brentwood, New Hampshire

PURPOSE: First Quarterly Review of the Budget

Convention Chairman William Boucher called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and asked the Clerk to call the roll indicating the following attendance: Representatives: Wilson, Boucher, Skinner, Read, Bisbee, Gage, Cummings, Goodrich, Schwaner, Cunningham, Niebling, Page, Griffin,Dame, Connors.

Also present were: Commissioners, County Treasurer, Winston H. Lothrop; Head Bookkeeper, Madelyn Walker, the Press.

Rep. Boucher announced the establishment of a Special Projects Committee for the screening of all applicants for special funding under human services. He thereafter handed the conduct of the meeting over to the Executive Committee Chairman, Charles E. Cummings, who proceeded with the review of the quarterly report.

Examination of each item and a call for questions elicited inquiries and comments on some departments, most of which were in line with predicted budgets. Comm. Southwick advised Rep. Gage that the dishwasher contract had been awarded at a price within the appropriation. Rep. Niebling questioned the amount expended in Superior Court which represented better than 1/3 of its total appropriation and was advised that it could balance out later in the year but that the Commissioners could not control that department's budget. Commissioner Southwick informed the Board that application had been made to the Crime Commission for a grant which would fund a Blue Ribbon panel of nine people to be appointed by the Commissioners at a special meeting to conduct a four-month survey during the calendar year in the January, April and September sessions to determine the special needs of the Court as opposed to utilization of their present facilities.

Rep. Griffin requested an explanation of the appointment of a deputy sheriff to the status of full-time office in the Town of Hampton Falls with an accounting of the funding for the job and the forcast for a replacement within the sheriff's department. Comm. Driscoll reported that the town had requested the assignment, had contracted for his services, and had done all the legal work necessary to obtain the Crime Commission grant which paid 95% of his salary with the remaining 5%, plus ancillary expenses, paid by the Town. Resentment of the lack of communication between the sheriff's deparmtnet and its sub-committee where a change of policy was concerned was expressed by Rep. Griffin and the questioning of the procedure led to a request that Sheriff Sampson join the meeting to reply to the Board's inquiries. The Sheriff explained the functioning of his department in direct relation to an in conjunction with the 29 local, part-time police departments in the County which he services which lack the expertise and training to handle more than minor complaints, public gatherings and the usual patrolling. His department had presented 49% of the indictments in the County in 1974, he said, with only 51% handled by the local and State Police departments. He did not anticipate hiring a replacement for this officer, nor did he expect nor encourage other towns to follow the contractual procedure. Rep. Niebling subsequently expressed his grave concern for the increasingly broad scope of law enforcement coverage by the Sheriff's Dept., considering that at its inception it was designed to serve only as a

servant of Superior Court.

Commissioner Driscoll outlined the cost savings obtained in bids awarded in purchasing the Sheriff's cruisers, the tractor, the 3/4 T. truck and in the purchase of pharmaceutical supplies, especially drugs, for the County Home. Comm. Southwick reported that the bid for the County Report had been awarded at a cost less than $1000 against the $1800.00 appropriated for the printing.

The human services area was discussed with reference to future handling by the Special Projects Committee which will eliminate the necessity of the representatives of those agencies coming to each of the budget hearings to speak. They may appear at one meeting, but the committee's recommendations will be the prime cource of information and referral in considering these requests which may be accepted or rejected as the body sees fit.

Rep. Boucher quoted the written request received from the Board of Day Care Centers asking that a delegate from the Convention be appointed to sit on that Board. Rep. Griffin suggested Rep. Blanchette for the appointment, lauding her presentation of behalf of the related agencies as a Human Service subcommittee member at the recent budget hearings.

Comm. Southwick offered his opinion that human services should be funded through individual towns rather than through the County, recognizing their value to the communities, without forcing the entire County to pay for services which are not readily available to some areas.

Call for a vote on acceptance of the total quarterly expenditures of $1,370,340.98 was unanimously favorable.

A review of the receipts prompted praise for the Treasurer, Winston Lothrop, for the interest received on Certificates on Deposit. The Commissioners explained the expected reimbursement of about $1800.00 to O.A.A. account from the settlement of an estate in which a patient is an heir. Income figures in the Commissioners' expenses were credited to Manpower's subsidizing of an assistant bookkeeper and, in the County Attorney's office - funding for the Asst. County Attorney through the Crime Commission grant. $1875.86 was received as a tax rebate from the Town of Brentwood for 1974 reassessment of taxes on County property.

Rep. Cunningham moved the acceptance of the total receipts in the amount of $2,489,211.12 which was unanimously voted.

Comm. Southwick reported the steps taken in gaining the approval of the State Fire Marshall and Mr. Esty of the Hospital Services for renovations to the Underhill Building in conformance with the life safety code which will make it eligible under federal requirements. They approved the set of prints drawn by Don Sumner with the exception of moving a couple of doors, blocking access to Carlisle Bldg. which will become a separate building, and installing a stairway from the second floor dining area in Underhill to an outside exit. He cited the cooperation of the building committee in these plans and requested the Committee's permission to use the $10,000.00 previously appropriated for the flooring in Underhill to begin immediately to

put the stairway in. All the figures for the total renovation of Underhill Bldg. will be presented for the next budget hearing and are presently estimated at $2000,000.00 +/- which will ensure that the building for use for ten to fifteen years more. Rep. Cunningham offered the motion to commend the Commissioners for a fine report and to authorize the use of the $10,000.00 to go ahead with the installation of the stairway - unanimously voted.

Commissioner Southwick reported that the specifications for the sprinkler system for Blaisdell and Fernald Buildings will go out for bid this week and that the Commissioners will meet with the architect on Friday for the final plans for the pump house and system.

Commissioner Driscoll reported that following a series of reviews of Manpower operations Rockingham/Strafford Manpower stands head and shoulders above the State.

Winston Lothrop, County Treasurer, outlined the receipts under the Revenue Sharing funds last year citing $64,878.00 received quarterly in 1974 with the exception of the final quarter when we received $85, 192.00 - $21, 317.00 more than expected, and an unappropriated surplus. He requested approval for the purchase of an additional bookkeeping machine to be installed at the Administrative and Justice Building in the Commissioners' office to be operated by the man who currently uses the same type of machine at the Home. He cited the separation of input for each machine and noted that there would be no need to fund additional paper supplies nor to hire additional personnel. He proposed that payment be made from the aforesaid surplus Revenue Sharing monies, requesting the appropriation of $20, 000.00 which would have no affect on the budget. Rep. Boucher suggested the alternative solution of buying a computerized service which would handle payroll and accounts payable. Discussion of the comparative cost and feasibility of the two led to a motion by Rep. Cunningham to purchase the bookkeeping machine, seconded by Rep. Skinner. Rep. Boucher spoke in opposition expressing his feeling that the computer service system should be investigated since we would ultimately have to refer to that kind of service. Rep. Gage moved the question and it was voted to limit debate. Chairman Cummings restated the motion declaring that the question before the committee is to allocate money to buy a new bookkeeping machine out of Revenue Sharing funds, the cost not to exceed $20,000.00. A favorable vote was recorded with Rep. Boucher opposed. It was moved by Rep. Page, seconded by Rep. Cunningham, that the Public Hearing on the expenditure be advertised and held at the earliest possible date by statute and that the Convention meeting be held at Concord before the term ends: duly voted.

Convention Chairman Boucher appointed Rep. Goodrich to fill the seat as delegate to the County Cooperative Extension Service Council Board.

Commissioner Southwick outlined the problem involving the funding of patients under DPW and posed the possibility that the various commissioners from N.H. counties may have to go to Washington to present the need based on the functioning of county homes in the state on which Concord has not presented adequate information to substantiate the need.

Rep. Boucher announced the request by Rep. John Stimmell that his Retirement Committee of last year be established as a standing Committee and Rep. Griffin supported the request as a necessity - at least until receipt of the State's bill on the Retirement Fund. She also noted that the actuarial report has not yet been received.
Motion to adjourn was duly voted at 11:45 A.M.
Respectfully submitted,
Annie Mae Schwaner, Clerk

May 19, 1975
PUBLIC HEARING:
PURPOSE: to appropriate from Revenue Sharing funds $20,000 from the 1975 Revenue Sharing Account balance of $49,399.00 for the purchase of a bookkeeping machine.
County Convention Chairman Boucher called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. in the Hilton Auditorium of the County Home at Brentwood and instructed the clerk to call the roll. Executive Committee members present were Reps. Wilson, Boucher, Skinner, Bisbee, Read, Gage, Cummings, Schwaner, Cunningham, Niebling, Page, Ellis, Griffin, Connors and Goodrich. also present were the Commissioners, Winston Lothrop, Treasurer, members of the County Convention and the general public.

Rep. Boucher turned the conduct of the meeting over to Rep. Cummings, Executive Committee Chairman, who announced the purpose of the meeting. Rep. Cunningham requested that the Treasurer explain the proposal and Chairman Cummings asked that he comply. Mr. Lothrop began with a recital of the problems encountered with the most recent breakdown of the present bookkeeping machine at the County Home on the day the County Home payroll is begun. It was repaired barely in time to meet the payday, two days later. The present system of obtaining signitures for each check processed; returning warrants to the bookkeeping machine operator who draws the checks; transporting checks to the Treasurer in Exeter for signatures; and returning them to the Home for mailing or distribution - he declared a costly and unnecessary expense. The purchase of a second machine to be placed at the Courthouse office would eliminate most of the handling since the transportation would no longer be necessary.

The machine purchased would be the same as the one in use and thus would not require additional supplies since a large amount of paper had been obtained at the time the first machine was acquired. No additional operator would be needed; the payroll clerk at the Home would be transferred to the Commissioners' office with the new machine and the two women already trained on the first machine, will continue to operate it. The volume of 1700 checks per month would be divided between them.

He quoted the cost of the machine at $19,680.00 less a 10% discount, or $17,721.00, which would be paid from the $49,399.00 Revenue Sharing balance, of which $20,715.00 was received as an unanticipated bonus at the end of last year. Its use would not be reflected in the taxes.

There being no further questions Rep. Boucher moved/seconded to adjourn.
Respectfully submitted, Annie Mae Schwaner, Clerk

June 9, 1975 Rockingham County Home Executive Committee

Present: Rep. Boucher, Griffin, Schwaner, Cunningham, Bisbee, Cummings, Maynard, Skinner, Page, Connors, Wilson, Niebling, Goodrich. Commissioners Roy and Driscoll and the press.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Boucher and thereafter Executive Committee Chairman Cummings presided.

Chairman Cummings stated that the purpose of the meeting was to announce that the bids were in on the fire protection devices and that there would be a surplus left of Eight Thousand ($8,000) Dollars. Bids had ranged from a low of Forty-Six Thousand Dollars to a high of Ninety-two Thousand Dollars.

He further stated that this surplus was needed to do some of the repairs on the old buildings according to the Fire Marshall's findings. Needed, he pointed out, were new ceilings in the Fernald Building, Mrs. Dodge's office, the solarium and in the corridors.

Rep. Page moved that we allow the Commissioners to transfer the sum of Eight Thousand Dollard for the repair work. Motion adopted.

Commissioner Driscoll reported on the progress of the Manpower setup in the County as having the highest rating in New England. He introduced the Director, Mrs .Judith Gustafson who gave a detailed report on the work of her office. Members were invited to come to the Manpower office to inspect files and to have a first hand look at the accomplishments of the Manpower program.
Respectfully submitted: Annie Mae Schwaner, Clerk

June 10, 1975: STATE HOUSE Chairman Boucher presiding.

Rep. Skinner stated that the Revenue Sharing Committee recommended that an appropriation not to exceed the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars be used to purchase a Burroughs Bookkeeping Machine to be used in the treasurer's office at the County Court House.

Rep. Cunningham and Cotton moved that an appropriation not to exceed the sum of Twenty Thousnad Dollars be used for the purchase of a Burroughs Bookkeeping Machine to be used in the treasurer's office at the County Court House. Motion unanimously adopted.

Rep. Griffin moved that a sub-committee be named by the Chairman, if one does not exist, to oversee the efficiency of the bookkeeping department and to report back their findings to the Executive Committee.
Motion adopted.
Respectfully submitted: Annie Mae Schwaner, Clerk

July 16, 1975 Executive Meeting County Home
To go over receipts and expenditures for second quarter of budget.
Present: Reps. Boucher, Connors, Cummings, Cunningham, Gage, Gillis, Goodrich, Maynard, Niebling, Page, Read, Schwaner, Skinner, Wilson.
Guests: Comm. Southwick, Driscoll, Roy, Trea. Lothrop, Adm: Harold Horrocks, Gladys Sanborn, Madelyn Walker.

Chairman Cummings called the meeting to order at 10:10 A.M. and requested the Clerk to call the roll. Copies of the second quarter budget were distributed to all present for perusal before discussion. Chairman Cummings reported that the Building Committee had met just before this meeting for the purpose of considering the purchase of a new incinerator for the County Home. The present incinerator is severly polluting the environment creating a health hazard for the residents plus the fact that it cannot adequately take care of all the rubbish and surgical dressings which the state requlations will not allow to be buried. Two incinerators are under consideration, one for $12,500 and one for $17,500. Comm. Southwick explained that due to a buyers market on bids previously obtained there were ample funds remaining of the $430,000 in the Fire Protection category to cover the purchase of the $17,500 gas fired incinerator, which the Commissioners recommended since it was capable of handling all the rubbish. Chr. Cummings and the building committee concured with this recommendation. After motion made to eliminate debate, Rep. Cummings moved that the $17,500 incinerator be purchased out of the Fire Protection Fund as an emergency measure, seconded and voted unanimously.

Meeting then turned over to Comm. Southwick who wished to discuss several pertinent matters with the Delegation. Comm. Southwick informed the committee that the present beef herd at the Farm was not sufficient to supply the County Home which resulted in purchasing beef on the market at a higher cost. An opportunity to buy a stock of herefords consisting of 10 brood cows, 10 heifers and one bull for $4,000, came to the Commissioners' attention and they and the Farm Manager recommended the purchase of this herd to upgrade the present stock. Rep. Skinner made the motion that the Commissioners purchase the above mentioned herd for $4,000, cost therefore to be transferred from the Old Age Assistance category. Motion seconded and adopted.

Comm. Southwick explained that heretofore the policy when work was being accomplished on bids a retainer of 10% of the total amount of the award was held until the work was satisfactorily completed. However, recently a contractor who won the award for the fire pumps stipulated that they were agreeable to the retainage, provided they received 10% interest on their money even though this was contrary to the usual procedure. Comm. Southwick felt that it would be advantageous to accede to their request since this would mean the elimination of a performance bond and all the hassle in the event of malfunctioning of the pumps. All members voted on Rep. Nieblings motion on the above, voted in the affirmative with one in opposition.

Meeting adjourned 11:45 A.M.

Respectfully submitted: Annie Mae Schwaner, Clerk

October 6, 1975 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, County Home Brentwood
TRANSFER OF FUNDING:
The meeting was called to order at 10:10 Am. by Convention Chairman Boucher, who asked for the roll call by the Clerk of the Exetuve Committee, Annie Mae Schwaner to establish the presence of a quorum. Answering the call were Reps. Wilson, Boucher, Skinner, Read, Gage, Goff, Cummings, Goodrich, Schwaner, Gillis, Niebling, Page, Ellis, Griffin, Connors. Also, Commissioners, Rep.s Dame and Collishaw, Reg. of Deeds Edith Holland.

Rep. Boucher gave the conduct of the meeting over to the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Rep. Cummings.

The building committee met briefly in private and recommended that a comprehensive study be done to determine what alternatives could be taken of the entire system of the Rockingham County Justice Building. Many suggestions were proposed in regards to alternatives that ought to be taken into consideration. It was the general overall feeling of the Building Committee that there is something that has to be done, although they are not positive of the course of action to be done to evaluate the climatic conditions and temperature control in the Registry of Deeds. This motion was seconded by Chairman Boucher. It was so voted unanimously.

Commissioner Southwick asked about an action of transfer of $7,000 from the salary and provisional funds of the dietary departments. This transfer would enable the dietary department to purchase a portable freezer unit. The low bid for this portable freezer unit was $6,872. assuming there will be a few incidentals. A motion was made by Rep. Read to transfer $7,000 from salary and provisional funds of the dietary department to purchase a portable freezer unit. This motion was seconded by Rep. Page and voted unanimously.

Comm. Southwick then briefed the Executive Committee about a proposed transfer of funding from insurance money that was placed in escrow, to the building account. A motion was made by Rep. Ellis to authorize a transfer of money from the insurance fund to the building fund. Motion seconded by Rep. Page and voted unanimously.

Comm. Southwick then reported on the fire system progress. He stated that the bids are out on the sprinkler system and the pumping station. Everything else has been awarded, with the exception of the smoke detectors and heat detectors. These bids should be in soon, to finalize the fire system. He stated this project should be completed by the end of the year, or sometime in January. He also added that once this work is completed, there would be some money left over. He mentioned that everything that has been coming in has been a little under bid, from what was proposed. The complete system has been approved by the fire marshall in regards to the incinerator, all bids were rejected as these bid proposals were much too high. They have been re-bid, with certain alternatives, bidding directly to the company. These bids have come in, and they have come in within the budget.

Comm. Southwick also noted that the department heads are working on their budgets, which have to be out to the members of the Executive Committee and all selectmen by December 1st. He also mentioned the fact of human services going to the cities and towns for finanial

assistance rather than the county.

Rep. Gage suggested further consideration be given relative to Executive Board members being named as chairman of any sub-committee.

Rep. Niebling suggested an acknowledgment be given to the Rockingham County Delegation American Revolution Bicentennial Committee and its Chairman Ednapearl F. Parr for their outstanding work and effort put forth for a very successful National Bicentennial Flag Ceremony and Parade, which took place September 27, 1975. Rep. Cumminbs suggested that a letter be written to this effect. This letter will be sent out to the Chairman and committee members.

Comm. Southwick briefed the Executive Board members of the planting of trees at the County Home in Brentwood. He discussed this matter with Mr. Edward Upham of the Agriculture Department and asked permission to purchase and plant these trees. It is understood that the Rockingham County Delegation American Revolution Bicentennial Committee is buying a tree and other people are interested in buying a tree for the County Home. The trees will be bought from and planted by Sonny's Garden Center. A one year guarantee is provided for the trees being planted.

A suggestion was made by Rep. Goodrich that possibly a one dollar donation from each delegation member would buy a tree for a donation to the County Home. Comm. Southwick suggested that a breakdown of what is being purchased, and a plan designating placement of each tree would be made.
Motion to adjourn: Respectfully submitted: Annie Mae Schwaner, Clerk

November 6, 1975: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING County Home, Brentwood
3rd Quarter Budget Report:
The meeting was called to order at 10:31 A.M. by Convention Chairman Boucher who asked for the roll call by the Clerk Rep. Schwaner to establish a quorum. Answering were Reps. Wilson, Boucher, Skinner, Gage, Cummings, Goodrich, Schwaner, Niebling, Page, Ellis, Griffin, Connors, Cunningham, Maynard. Commissioners, Reps. Dame and Collishaw, Gladys Sanborn, Madelyn Walker and Winston Lothrop Treasurer.

Rep. Boucher gave the conduct of the meeting over to the Chairman Rep. Cummings.

After a lengthy discussion in regards to the Superior Court System not exceeding the allocated budget, a motion was introduced by Rep. Ellis that the Executive Committee instruct the Rockingham County Commissioners not to allow the Superior Court to exceed the appropriated budget of $280,000. This motion was seconded by Rep. Boucher and voted unanimously.

A motion was made by Rep. Griffin to move the question. This motion was seconded by Rep. Ellis and was so voted.

It was assumed that the Rockingham County Commisisoners would notify the Clerk of Courts that this motion prevails.

Rep. Cunningham made a motion that the Superior Court would have to come before the Executive Board for a request for transfer of money. After a lengthy discussion in regards to this matter Cunningham withdrew this motion.

Rep. Connors briefed the Executive Committee about the Rockingham County Delegation American Revolution Bicentennial Committee. Rep. Connors reported on the progress of the bottles now being sold and a quilt which is being made by patients of the Rockingham County Home. Rep. Ednapearl Parr, Chairman of this Committee will attend a meeting of the Executive Committee to present an up-dated accounting of bicentennial activities. Three trees will be planted at the County Home in Brentwood to commemorate the three signers of the Declaration of Independence from Rockingham County.

Comm. Southwick asked about an action of transfer of $10,000 from the Direct Relief account to the Registry of Deeds Account to establish climatic conditions and temperature controls in the Registy of Deeds. Motion seconded and voted unanimously.

Comm. Southwick asked for the overall feeling of the Executive Committee in regards to putting $150,000 into the budget to be paid from taxes this coming year, rather than carry it on for two years and pay extra interest. This was not opposed.

Comm. Driscoll reported to the Executive Committee in regards to a bus for the patients at the County Home. This bus, if approved by the Executive Committee, will be equipped with a lift. It would enable wheelchair patients from the Home to travel, giving many patients the opportunity to get out and around. A plan to make application through the Council of Ageing with the Department of Transportation funds will be made. The bus will be 80% funded by the Department of Transportation and 20% if approved, funded by the County.

Comm. Southwick reported to the Executive Committee about an appropriation of $150,000 for work to be done on the Underhaill Building to bring the Underhill Building up to standards required of the life safety code. He also asked for the transfer of $3,000 from the Jail & Meal account to sand blast the inside of the jail, Rep. Wilson made a motion to transfer said sum from jail account to sand blast jail. Motion seconded and voted unanimously.

Rep. Griffin made a motion that the Executive Committee send a resolution to the congressional representative, urging his support in the continuation of revenue sharing, seconded by Rep. Boucher. Rep. Griffin stated that it has been brought to the forefront that there has been little support and little correspondence with the congressional part of government regarding this.

Comm. Driscoll informed the Executive Committee that Comm. Southwick would be traveling to Washington, November 18 in regards to the National Assoc. of Counties together with a joint effort with the Nat. Asso. Governors Conference, the League of Cities and the Municipal Asso. of both towns and cities. This entails meeting with congressional people, urging the extension of revenue sharing. Comm. Driscoll suggiested that this resolution would be very appropriate. He suggested having the Chairman of the Executive Committer and/or the Chairman of the County Convention go down to Washington with Comm. Southwick to speak to the representatives of New Hampshire urging the continuation of revenue sharing.

Rep. Griffin then amended her motion to include the recommendations of

Comm. Driscoll. Rep. Page seconded this motion and it was voted unanimously.

Rep. Griffin made a motion that the Executive Committee accept the 3rd quarter report. Rep. Niebling seconded the motion and it was voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted: Annie Mae Schwaner, Clerk

DECEMBER 10, 1975
EXECUTIVE COMM. MEETING - COUNTY HOME, BRENTWOOD
Presentation by Department Heads of 1976 Budgets

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 A.M. by Convention Chairman Boucher, who after announcing the purpose of the meeting asked for the roll call by the Clerk of the Executive Committee to establish a quorum. Answering call, Rep. Wilson, Boucher, Schwaner, Bisbee, Connors, Cummings, Ellis, Gage, Gillis, Goff, Goodrich, Niebling, Page, Skinner, Cunningham, Commissioners, Rep. Collishaw, Appel and Richards, Winston Lothrop Treasurer, Madelyn Walker, Edith Holland, Edward Howard, Unwar Samaha, Harold Horrocks, George Sampson and guests.

Rep. Boucher gave the conduct of the meeting over to the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Rep. Cummings.

Rep. Cummings called upon each of the department heads who, following intense dissection of their stated budgeting requirements by the Executive Board, indicated the absolute necessities they felt their department required. The Board, after each presentation reviewed, questioned and discussed each item, making changes etc.

It was decided that no discussion of wages be entered on since that area was being covered by the sub-committee, who would present its report later. The sub-committees on various departments answered questions regarding budgets in their assigned areas and entered their recommendations.

Rep. Ellis reported his Committee proposed $2,760 for Treasurer, $19,000 for Register of Deeds and $19,500 for Administrator of County Home. They took action in granting county employees, except elected officials and County Home Administrator a pay adjustment of $4.00 p/wk.

Comm. Southwick asked about action to transfer $2,000 from Spec. Item F for the 1975 budget, which was for repairs and changing of fire escapes in the Underhill Building. This transfer will be used to make the Underhill Building comply with Life Safety Codes. Motion was made and seconded, voted unanimously

Comm. Southwick then briefed the Executive Comm. about a proposed transfer of $7,187.72 from Board and Care of Children to Retirement Fund. Motion was made and seconded, voted unanimously.

Rep. Bisbee made a motion to accept the figure of $5,000 for the purpose of trading old hay baler in on new unit for the Rockingham County Farm. Motion made and seconded, voted unanimously.

Chairman of the Special Budget Requests committee presented to the

Executive Committee, their recommendations on uncatagorized specials. Rockingham County Conservation District $7,000, Fire Training $1,500, Bicentennial, $2,000, Rockingham County Child Care Assoc. $32,000, Rockingham County Senior Citizen Trans. $4,000, Child and Family Ser. $7,500, Family Planning $15,000, Port House, not recommended, Visitor Information, not recommended, Human Services Council, not recommended, Youth Service Center, $5,000, Brentwood Fire Dept. not recommended.

Rep. Page made a motion that a member of the Exe. Comm. be Chairman of this committee. Rep. Gillis moved to amend the motion that wach committee include a member of the Executive Committee. Moved and seconded and carried in the affirmative.

Rep. Boucher stated that mileage will be paid to all delegates who attend the public hearing on human services, but not per diem.

Respectfully submitted: Annie Mae Schwaner, Clerk.

December 13, 1975 PUBLIC HEARING ROCKINGHAM COUNTY HOME

The public hearing on the budget was held at the Rockingham County Home, The Executive Committee answered the roll call by the Clerk as follows: Reps. Cunningham, Gage, Skinner, Page, Schwaner, Ellis, Boucher, Wilson, Connors, Bisbee, Gillis, Goodrich. Commissioenrs, Department Heads, general public and press.

The meeting convened at 9:14 A.M. following the Executive Committee's adjournment of its executive session. Rep. Cunningham introduced the Chairman of the County Delegation, Rep. Boucher and turned the meeting over to him.

Registry of Deeds 1975 proposed budget was the first item, $1,500 was proposed as salary increase for Register of Deeds. 1976 proposed budget is for the sum of $175,264.12.

Commissioners proposed budget $85,527.07 was reviewed, Rep. Benton asked for clarification of an increase for insurance/work. comp. Comm. Southwick explained that the increase was due to complete coverage of all three commissioners.

County Attorney's proposed budget $24,703.88, with estimated income of $5,757. Mr. Eldredge added his recommendations that the job of County Attorney be a full-time job with a commensurate pay. Rep. Ellis advised that a study be done to reflect whether a full-time County Attorney be incorporated . Rep. Blanchette asked for a breakdown on number of cases and there disposition.

County Auditors as explained by Comm. Southwick has been revised and a certified public accountant is now necessary by law.

Mr. Unwar Samah, Clerk of Courts gave a detailed breakdown of his budget. He gave a brief description of the court proceedure for the public's benefit. Under "Specials" the Superior Court requested $10,000 for capital improvement.

The Sheriff's budget was readily understood with some focus on the amount set aside for tobacco for the prisoners.

Under "Specials" the Sheriff has requested 5 cruisers, est. cost $23,000.

The Rockingham County Home budget is $3,204,416.79. Comm. Driscoll gave a brief explanation of this - 2.95% decrease from last years budget. Rep. Boucher spoke in behalf of the Commissioners, commending their effort in making a decrease in the budget. Comm. Driscoll noted that up until July 1, 1975 the rate of re-imbursement to the County Home was on a flat rate basis. Effective July 1, 1976 the Federal Gov. through the Department of Health and Welfare, indicated that they were mandating a re-imbursement on a cost related plan. He stated further that 60% is borne by the federal government, 20% by State of New Hampshire and the balance 20% by local units.

Rep. Blanchette spoke in behalf of representatives who attend subcommittee hearings and hearings on the budget. She requested that representatives be paid on mileage. She asked to have the Executive Comm.' look into this request.

Several items of the Maintenance Dept. Specials-under Farm, had been considered by the Commissioners. Comm. Soutwick explained the need for the steam line from barn to piggery, $10,000, material to rebuild north wind of piggery, $4,500, and the need to trade hay-baler in for new unit. $5,000.

Rep. Cunningham reported on the following regarding the Bicentennial Committee, he gave a breakdown of expenditure and a brief explantion of proposed plans.

The Rockingham County Conservation District's request was primarily for the cost of secretarial assistance, Fire Training $1,500.

Rep. Blanchette supported the needs of the Day Care Centers which made requests for funding in four areas. Child & Family Services $15,000, Port House, not recommended, Visitor Information Program not recommended

Rep. Appel reported that the request for funding from the Rockingham County Human Services Council in the amount of $6,000 was not recommended. Mr. Frank Carlton, Town Manager of Derry spoke in behalf of the Rockingham County Human Services Council. He presented the group with all pertinent information requested. Mr. John Gundersdorf also spoke in behalf of this request, and gave a breakdown of the total amount of expenses. Rep. Appel's committee recommended $2,000 for Bicentennial Committee.

A request from the Brentwood Fire Department for the sum of $23,000 to be used to offset cost of new fire truck. Rep. Gillis stated that there is federal help for this and he felt a more comprehensive study should be done. Brentwood selectmen spoke in support of this request.

A detailed explanation of the manner in which the figure proposed for an increase in wages for all employees, other than elected officials and Administrator of the County Home was offered by Rep. Ellis, he stated as of January 1, 1976 a $4.00 per week/per employee would be proposed totaling $161,585.32. Register of Deeds salary be increased by $1,500 and Administrator of County Home in increase of $500.

Under County Home Specials, Comm. Driscoll spoke of the need for a bus, Most patients, he stated, are in wheel chairs. The Commissioners will

have for the sub-committee, a proposal wherein a bus capable of carrying six wheel chair patients will be advocated. 80% cost would be funded by the Department of Education and 20% by the County. The cost would be $17,000 or 18,000. $3,600 would be the County's share.

Carol Small, from the Visiting Nurse Asso. stated that there was no duplication of their services. Rep. Wilson stated that they receive no services in Candia from Association. Rep. Benton stated that not one child in his district gets any aid and questioned why towns didn't take advantage of this aid. Rep. Casassa stated that he couldn't see the need to carry out the whole program, he spoke about federal money and felt that there should be some priorities.

Respectfully submitted: Annie Mae Schwaner, Clerk

December 17, 1975 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING BRENTWOOD
Final Determination of Proposed 1976 Budget

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 A.M. by Convention Chairman Rep. Boucher who asked the Clerk to call the roll. Present were Reps. Bisbee, Boucher, Connors, Cummings, Cunningham, Gage, Gillis, Goodrich, Griffin, Niebling, Page, Schwaner, Skinner and Wilson. The presence of a quorum being established Rep. Boucher turned the gavel over to Rep. Cummings.

Commissioner's Expense: $85,527.07. Motion made by Rep. Schwaner to accept this figure, motion seconded/voted unanimously.

Treasurer's Expense; $4,428.66. This figure voted unanimously. The treasurer appeared before the Executive Committee and testified that the balance in the treasury would be insufficient to meet the demands of the new year and requested approval to borrow up to but not exceed the amount to be raised by County tax for the year 1976. Vote unanimously passed. Approval was given to the Treasurer, upon the order of the County Commissioners to borrow same.

County Attorney Expense: $51,497.08. This was reviewed and discussed in great length. Rep. Boucher made a motion not to accept this budget, motion was seconded, and a discussion in the direction of a committee to study position of County Attorney. Rep. Gillis briefed the committee on the work load handled through this office. Rep. Boucher recommended salary of Assistant Count Attorney remain the same. Rep. Neibling moved to amend the motion to increase the County Attorney's salary to $18,000 a $3,000 increase. Rep. Bisbee seconded the motion. Amended motion so voted. Rep. Griffin moved that the amended motion be reconsidered. Rep. Niebling seconded that motion and it was voted in the affirmative. After a brief discussion Rep. Niebling withdrew his amended motion. Rep. Boucher withdrew his original motion regarding the non acceptance of the County Attorney's Expense. After a lengthy discussion, Rep. Niebling made a motion not to accept the budget. Motion moved and seconded, voted in the affirmative. It was the general feeling of the Exective Committee members that a sub-committee be appointed, with the designation of Sub-committee for County Attorney. It was noted by Rep. Boucher that a committee be so designated. Rep. Page moved that the County Attorney's budget be accepted. Rep. Cunningham seconded and passed in the affirmative.

Auditors: $5,000 Motion made and seconded to accept this figure, voted

Register of Deeds Expense: Rep. Niebling made a motion to accept the recommendations of the Salary Sub-Committee as amended to $176,854.87. Motion seconded and voted in the affirmative.

Register of Probate Expense: $52,166.09. Motion made and accepted, voted unanimously.

Probate Judge Expense: $2,000. Motion made and accepted, voted unanimously.

Maintenance: $526,208.03 Rep. Cunningham asked of Sub-Committee for a brief resume of monies used, progress of such and other necessary information regarding the figure. Rep. Gorman Chairman of the Sub-Committee briefed the members of the progress of work now being done, proposed projected plans and the direction of projects underway. After a discussion the motion was seconded and voted unanimously.

Superior Court; Rep. Skinner made a motion to accept $395,000. for the Superior Court budget. Motion was seconded and voted unanimously.

Sheriff Expense: $200,000. Revenue Sharing, budget figure $363,992.27, Motion to accept and seconded, voted unanimously.

Jail: 236,555.17 Rep. Goodrich moved to accept this figure, seconded and voted unanimously.

County Home: Before a vote regarding the County Home budget of the figure $3,204,416.79 Rep. Cunningham asked Sub-Committee to give report of their findings. Rep. Page, Chairman of this sub-committee briefed Executive Committee members as to the progress being done at the County Home, proposed projected plans and the direction of projects underway. Rep. Griffin moved to accepte, seconded and voted unanimously.

Old Age Assistance; $436,000. Motion made by Rep. Schwaner to accept. Seconded and voted unanimously.

Board and Care of Children: $110,000: Direct Relief: $75,000. Interest on Temporary Loan: $141,700: Interest on Bonds & Notes: $115,473.05: Payment on Bonds & Notes: $223,000. Motion made by Rep. Schwaner to accept same, seconded and voted unanimously.

Cooperative Extension Service: $95,000
Mr. Upham spoke to the Executive Committee members in regards to the service of the Extension Service. It was a general overall feeling of the Executive Committee that a salary increase should not be reflected from the Cooperative Extension Service. Motion made by Rep. Schwaner to accept recommendations that a salary increase should not be reflected in the budget figure. Motion seconded. Rep. Page asked to the the budget without the increases. Rep. Griffin made a motion to adopt the Commissioners figure of $95,000. motion seconded and voted in the affirmative.

Motion was made by Rep. Schwaner to accept items: Delegation Expense $12,000: Printing County Reports $1,200: Insurance $27,000, and Medical Referee $16,000. Motion made and seconded and voted unanimously.

Farm: Before a vote regarding the Farm, Cunningham asked if possibly the Chairman of the sub-Committee could brief the Executive Committee on pertinent information regarding the budget. Rep. Cunningham moved

to accept the figure of $75,746.37 for this budget. Seconded and voted unanimously.

Comm. Southwick asked to have action to transfer $4,000 from Direct Relief fund to Registry of Deeds. This transfer would enable the Registry of Deeds to establish climatic conditions and temperature controls in the Registry of Deeds. This additional $4,000 would be established, as the original $10,000 would not cover the amount proposed.

Crime Commission: $4,000. Rep. Connors made motion to accept this figure, seconded and voted unanimously.

Sheriff's Department: $23,000 5 cruisers. Rep. Connors moved to accept this figure, seconded and voted unanimously.

Superiour Court: $10,000 Improvement Special, to be used for carpeting for the court. Motion made by Rep. Gage not to accept this figure. Motion made and seconded, voted unanimously.

County Home: $153,359 Fire Project (repayment): Renovation of Underhill Building $150,000. Rep. Schwaner moved to adopt these items. Seconded and passed unanimously.

Maintenance: Install Ex. Hood Cafeteria $725: Repair Int. Boiler Chimney $7,000: Part. Floor Rep. Fernald & Mitchell $10,000. Resurface No. Rd. & Parking Sec. $3,500. Rep. Schwaner made a motion to adopt these items. Seconded and voted unanimously.

Farm: Extend Steam Line-Barn to Piggery $10,000: Materials to rebuild No. wing to Piggery $4,500: Trade Hay-Baler on New Unit $5,000. Rep. Schwaner moved to adopt these items. Seconded and voted unanimously.

Motion made by Rep. Gage to appropriate $4,000 for purchase of bus for County Home. Motion seconded and voted unanimously.

UNCATAGORIZED SPECIALS: Conservation District $3,000. Rep. Schwaner moved to accept, seconded and voted in the affirmative. Fire Training $1,500. Moved by Rep. Cunningham, seconded and voted unanimously. Bicentennail $2,000. moved by Rep. Goodrich to accept, seconded and voted in the affirmative.

Salary Adjustments; $107,768.04. Motion made by Rep. Gage to accept the figure, seconded and after a lengthy discussion Rep. Gage withdrew the motion. Rep. Niebling moved to include all full-time employees with the exception of elected officials and Administrator of the County Home, to be given $4.00 per week and part-time workers 10¢ per hour, but never in excess of $4.00 per week. Motion seconded and voted unanimously. Motion to adopt figure was made by Rep. Gage, seconded and voted unanimously.

Rockingham County Human Services Council:
The Special Budget Request Committed met with the Human Services Council and at the December 17th meeting if the Executive Committee still did not feel that they could recommend funding this uncatagorized special. Rep. miebling moved to accept the recommendations of the sub-committee. Motion seconded and voted in the affirmative. Mr. John Gundersdorf spoke in behalf of the Council and briefed the Executive Committee regarding supporting this effort. Rep. Griffin made

a motion to reconsider the motion made to acceptthe recommendations of the Special Budget Request Committee: Not to fund this uncatagorized special. Moved and accepted, vote in the affirmative. Rep. Cunningham moved to allow $6,000 to be expended for this request. Moved, seconded and voted in the affirmative.

Rep. Gillis moved that a check on the status of the County Attorney's Office would be in order before an increase in salary was discussed. Motion by Rep. Bisbee, seconded and voted unanimously.

Rockingham County Child Care Assoc: $32,000. Moved to accept this figure by Rep. Connors, seconded and voted unanimously.

Rockingham County Senior Citizen Transportation: $4,000. Moved by Rep. Connors, seconded and motion adopted.

Child & Family Services: $7,500. Moved by Rep. Niebling to accept this figure, seconded and adopted. Rep. Cunningham asked to be recorded as questioning the amount and the observation of usage of money.

Portsmouth Housing: $3,000. Rep. Griffin moved to accept this figure, seconded and voted in the affirmative.

Youth Service Center: $5,000. Moved by Rep. Niebling to accept this figure. After careful consideration in regards to this matter, Rep. Bisbee made a motion to accept the amount of $2,500, seconded and voted in the negative. Rep. Niebling's motion was then voted in the affirmative.

Family Planning: $15,000. Rep. Goodrich moved to accept this figure, seconded and voted in the affirmative.

Homemakers Association & Derry Visiting Nurse;$17,500. Moved and seconded to accept figure, voted in the affirmative.

Port House: Motion made by Rep. Cunningham not to fund this request. Seconded and voted unanimously.

Visitor Information Program: Motion made by Rep. Skinner not to fund this request, motion seconded and voted unanimously.

Brentwood Fire Department: $23,000. Motion made by Rep. Skinner not to fund this request, seconded and voted unanimously. It was stated that $4,400 is payed by the County Home for taxes in the Town of Brentwood. It was also noted that an estimated one half million dollars is payed to employees that reside in Brentwood who work at the County Home.

The 1976 Estimated Income was reviewed. The Revenue Sharing Committee made the following recommendations: $23,000 cruisers, $5,000 hay bailer, $150,000 Jail Budget, $154,000 Sheriff's Dept.

Motion made by Rep. Page to send out revised list to entire delegation, motion seconded and would be charged to Delegation Expense, voted unanimously.

Motion made to adjourn by Rep. Boucher, seconded and voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted: Annie Mae Schwaner, Clerk.

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES

COMMISSIONERS:		$ 80,247.99
Ralph Southwick	7,250.00	
John Driscoll	7,250.00	
Vesta Roy	7,250.00	
Office Salaries	29,477.88	
S.S/BX/Ret./W. Comp.	4,829.27	
N. H. Assoc. of Counties	1,540.00	
Law Books	213.00	
Expenses of Commissioners	9,209.88	
Small County Book	450.00	
Office Supplies	10,040.98	
Telephone	2,736.98	
TREASURER:		3,851.79
Treasurer	2,420.00	
Deputy	300.00	
Office Expense	17.00	
Telephone	69.13	
Insurance (Bonds)	224.00	
S.S/Ret./W. Comp.	183.74	
Treasurer's Expense	637.92	
COUNTY ATTORNEY:		41,932.47
Salaries	35,073.88	
Postage	231.00	
Law Books	128.38	
Office Expense	1,275.32	
Telephone	2,118.10	
SS/Ret./W.Comp.	2,423.79	
Dues	128.00	
Equipment	554.00	
REGISTER OF DEEDS:		154983.85
Salaries	94,230.76	
Mach. Serv. & Supplies	16,782.66	
Gen. Office Acct.	31,722.70	
Telephone	2,172.21	
Staff Expense	187.71	
S.S/BX/Ret./W. Comp.	7,917.56	
Fed. Fund./5 yr. Inc.	1,970.25	
REGISTER OF PROBATE:		49,982.93
Salaries	34,720.05	
Relief Judges	342.00	
Office Equip. & Supplies	7,205.63	
Telephone	737.67	
Rebind Books etc.	670.00	
Bonds & Insurance	398.70	
S.S/BX/Ret./W.Comp./5 yr. Inc.	5,908.88	
AUDITORS:		1,000.00
JUDGE OF PROBATE:		1,863.90
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:		345,563.34
Salaries	265,040.25	
Exp.,Equip. & Travel	11,573.91	
Cruiser & Maintenance	24,235.50	
Telephone	8,942.12	
S.S/Ret./W. Comp/BX	30,081.33	
Deputy Expense	5,690.23	
COUNTY JAIL:		210,275.49
Salaries	117,796.46	
Medical	3,185.95	
Clothing	3,521.98	

Board & Care Females	3,960.00	
Tobacco	1,382.00	
Telephone	710.37	
Supplies, Maint. & Auto	13,672.23	
Meals	54,969.39	
S.S./BX/Ret./W. Comp.	11,077.11	
EXTENSION SERVICE:		90,257.67
Salaries	36,988.46	
Expenses	50,045.00	
S.S./W. Comp./Ret./BX	3,224.21	
DIRECT RELIEF:		60,859.80
DISTRICT 1:		
Greenland	-0-	
Hampton	2,099.96	
Hampton Falls	20.00	
New Castle	-0-	
Newington	220.60	
North Hampton	79.00	
Portsmouth	9,560.34	
Rye	899.11	
Miscellaneous	567.63	
Office Rent	1,650.00	
TOTAL:	$15,096.64	
DISTRICT 2:		
Auburn	125.00	
Brentwood	144.95	
Candia	1,136.05	
Danville	-0-	
Deerfield	240.00	
East Kingston	-0-	
Epping	168.00	
Exeter	1,317.19	
Fremont	124.75	
Kensington	-0-	
Kingston	665.00	
Newfields	145.00	
Newmarket	7.00	
Newton	271.00	
Northwood	271.85	
Nottingham	95.95	
Plaistow	586.00	
Raymond	1,390.92	
Sandown	526.23	
Seabrook	1,400.83	
Stratham	-0-	
South Hampton	-0-	
Miscellaneous	49.00	
TOTAL:	$8,664.72	
DISTRICT 3:		
Atkinson	85.00	
Chester	-0-	
Derry	6,661.56	
Hampstead	913.18	
Londonderry	999.32	
Salem	7,862.54	
Windham	295.00	
Miscellaneous	971.78	
Office Rent	1,400.00	
TOTAL:	$19,188.38	

Miscellaneous & Salaries	$17,910.06	
TOTAL:	$60,859.80	
MEDICAL REFEREE:		12,295.19
Salaries	7,376.60	
Expenses	4,835.97	
S.S/W. Comp/Ret.	82.62	
DELEGATION EXPENSE:		9,652.16
BOARD & CARE OF CHILDREN:		99,975.49

MONTH	CLOTHING	BOARD & CARE	TOTAL:
January	911.14	8,971.83	9,882.97
February	24.21	7,547.35	7,571.56
March	740.65	8,191.19	8,931.84
April	703.03	8,142.04	8,845.07
May	1,091.22	7,594.38	8,685.60
June	339.77	6,596.93	6,936.70
July	688.36	7,211.35	7,899.71
August	330.77	7,015.60	7,346.37
September	3,297.52	7,416.95	10,714.47
October	16.95	6,440.30	6,457.25
November	953.24	6,562.36	7,515.60
December	2,153.96	7,034.39	9,188.35
	$11,250.82	$88,724.67	$99,975.49

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:		263,737.51
January	20,170.73	
February	10,609.19	
March	32,551.80	
April	27,701.99	
May	19,744.95	
June	13.070.19	
July	7,989.55	
August	22,908.13	
September	20,193.71	
October	22,116.18	
November	35,370.58	
December	31,310.51	
	$263,737.51	
INTEREST ON BONDS & NOTES:		125,109.30
INTEREST ON TEMPORTY LOAN:		107,202.11
PAYMENT ON BONDS & NOTES:		223,000.00
PRINTING COUNTY REPORTS:		885.00
CLERK OF COURTS:		305,463.84
Jury Payroll	97,291.40	
State vs.	24,556.34	
Master's Fees	32,285.15	
Stenographer	66,847.06	
Court Expense	84,483.89	
INSURANCE:		26,794.00
CRIME COMMISSION:		12,000.00
UNCATAGORIZED SPECIALS:		19,869.20
HUMAN SERVICES:		82,274.00
SUP. COURT CAP./IMPROVEMENT		10,011.32
6 CRUISERS		27,000.00
REGISTER OF DEEDS SPECIAL:		4,888.80
COUNTY HOME-KITCHEN:		37,146.19
FIRE PROJECT:		163.88
COUNTY HOME-FARM:		40,153.35
RENOVATION UNDERHILL:		1,750.00
ENCUMBERED FUNDS:		162,696.46

COUNTY HOME:	3,042,467.37
MAINTENANCE:	511,901.43
FARM:	68,710.56
STATE AUDIT:	807.43
TOTAL:	$6,236,773.82

APPORTIONMENT OF COUNTY TAX

ATKINSON	46,738.88
AUBURN	39,578.24
BRENTWOOD	25,856.19
CANDIA	32,357.69
CHESTER	30,919.57
DANVILLE	12,883.15
DEERFIELD	43,473.14
DERRY	198,070.98
EAST KINGSTON	15,789.35
EPPING	34,095.41
EXETER	182,581.24
FREMONT	17,676.88
GREENLAND	30,829.68
HAMPSTEAD	48,147.04
HAMPTON	236,990.09
HAMPTON FALLS	31,728.51
KENSINGTON	19,414.61
KINGSTON	49,195.67
LONDONDERRY	153,908.74
NEW CASTLE	30,949.53
NEWFIELDS	16,927.86
NEWINGTON	123,828.07
NEWMARKET	49,135.74
NEWTON	32,088.04
NORTH HAMPTON	82,332.33
NORTHWOOD	43,353.31
NOTTINGHAM	41,076.28
PLAISTOW	86,946.30
PORTSMOUTH	387,033.87
RAYMOND	51,622.49
RYE	126,914.03
SALEM	387,543.21
SANDOWN	18,935.24
SEABROOK	125,745.56
SOUTH HAMPTON	15,070.29
STRATHAM	40,836.60
WINDHAM	85,508.18
	$2,996,081.99

ANNAUL REPORT OF THE
BOARD OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

In conformity with the New Hampshire Revised Statues Annotated, the Commissioners herewith submit their report for 1975.

The Commissioners are pleased to report that accomplishments during the past year reflect creditable on the County.

The County Convention appropriated $430,000 toward the effecting of a fire protection system improvement for the County Home as recommended by the Commissioners. This plan encompasses a pressurized water system utilizing the pond behind the Home tying into a series of hydrants around the Home complex and a complete sprinkler system for all of the Home, whereas prior there were sprinklers in the Mitchell and Underhill Buildings. As well, there are now rate-of-rise heat detectors in all of the buildings, not just the Blaisdell and Fernald Buildings as before. On each floor of each building will be hoses with fog nozzels which will allow County personnel to use them in the event of fire prior to the arrival of fire personnel from the Mutual Aid System. Additionally, there are smoke detectors at each of the fire safety doors. The pump house will have both an electric motor pump with a diesel driven back-up pump in case of electrical failure.

The pumps will generate 130 lbs. of pressure for the entire fire protection system. Adjacent to the pumps will be a gas-fired incinerator which meets all of the Federal and State E.P.A. requirements.

The work for the fire protection system will be completed at a cost of some $85,000 under the appropriated $430,000. This was effected by the Commissioners electing to have each phase of the project under individual contracts thus keeping overhead to a minimum and keeping other costs restricted to essentials without diminishing the effectiveness of the aim of the project.

Under a mandate from the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, the States were obligated to effect a cost related reimbursement system for nursing home welfare patients by July 1, 1976. The State of New Hampshire opted to have this system in place by July 1, 1975. This plan replaces a flat grant system which did not account for the breadth of services provided for patients in the nursing homes nor for the quality of facilities and care.

The nursing homes, intermediate care facilities, were thus obligated to meet patient life safety requirements. Other homes were not able to meet these requirements nor were some able to effect plans to meet these requirements. The Commissioners, when this proposed change was first announced, met in Washington with H.E.W. officials and presented them with cost factors which were already in effect in the Rockingham County Home and argued for these factors to be recognized and included in their plans. Ultimately, there were. This meant that the County today is receiving $24.75 per patient at the Home, reimbursed 60% Federal, 20% State and 20% locally. Previously, the County was receiving $16.00 per day. The additional money thus received means that less local tax dollars are paid by the people of Rockingham County.

A grant from the Governor's Commission on Crime And Delinquency funded under the Law Enforcement Assistance Act was received to conduct a study of the County Building and its utilization by the various

Offices and Superior Court especially. The Court has for several years been asking for additional Courtroom space allocation within a new facility. The Commissioners await the results of this study being conducted by nine Rockingham County citizens.

Bidding procedures have been instituted by the Commissioners, in addition to those required by law, these procedures for purchases under $300 have resulted in substantial monetary savings in the purchase of pharmaceutical products for the County Home.

Respectfully submitted,

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Ralph E. Southwick, Chairman
John C. Driscoll, Clerk
Vesta M. Roy, Vice Chairman

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY FINANCIAL REPORT

Payments on Bonds and Notes	
Fernald Nursing Home	$ 30,000.00
County Justice Building	50,000.00
Blaisdell Nursing Home	115,000.00
5 Yr. Note ($140,000)	28,000.00
	$223,000.00
Interest on Bonds	$118,459.30
Interest on Note	6,650.00
Interest on Temporary Loan	107,202.11
	$232,311.41

Schedule of County Property-Land and Buildings:

Buildings	$6,833,000.00
Contents	1,076,000.00
	$7,909,000.00

REVENUE SHARING FUNDS
1975

Balance from 1974 unappropriated:		54,385.
Interest from Certificate of Deposit:		3,510.
AMOUNT RECEIVED DURING YEAR:		
1/1/75	$85,192.	
4/8/75	85,192.	
7/8/75	85,193.	
10/7/75	82,699.	338,276.
Total Amount Available		396,171.
Amount Appropriated		326,700.
Balance Unappropriated		$ 69,471.

COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT
Comparative Debt Statement

	12/31/74	12/31/75
Outstanding Bonds	$2,625,000	$2,430,000
Outstanding Notes	140,000	112,000
Cash Balance	369,739.17	309,465.13
Capital Reserve Funds	166,005.16	88,872.63
Excess of Liabilities over Assets	2,259,567.63	1,705,737.52
Increase (Decrease) of debt for year	491,723.53	(553,830.11
Receipts for year 1975		6,546,238.95
Payments for the year 1975		6,236,773.82
Balance on hand December 31, 1975		309,465.13

COUNTY AUDITOR'S REPORT

Period ending.....12/31/75

COUNTY TREASURER'S ACCOUNT:

Balance on hand last examination	$1,135,852.48
Receipts for period ending	4,211,520.82
	$5,347,373.30
Payments for period ending	5,037,908.17
Balance at end of period, as per cash book	309,465.13
Balance in Exeter Banking Co.	279,959.34
Balance in Indian Head Bank	390,862.01
	670,821.35
Less outstanding orders	361,356.22
Reconciled Bank Balance at end of period	309,465.13

COUNTY FARM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Balance on hand, last examination	-0-
Total Receipts for period ending	784,596.40
Total Remittances to Treasurer for period	784,596.40

INDEBTEDNESS:

Outstanding Long Term Notes	112,000.00
Outstanding Bonds	2,543,000.00

Signed: Auditors
John C. Munroe
William J. Stevens

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

January Term 1975

CHARGES TO COUNTY:		
ALLOWANCE FOR CLERK & ASSISTANT	$12,134.58	
ALLOWANCE FOR CLERICAL HIRE	$21,219.81	
MISC. CASH DISBURSEMENTS	$ 75.65	
TOTAL CHARGES		$33,430.04
CREDIT TO COUNTY:		
FEES:		
NATURALIZATION	$	
TRANSFERS TO SUPREME COURT	$ 150.00	
ENTRIES 784	$ 7,220.00	
ALL OTHER FEES	$ 5,576.16	$12,946.16
FINES, COSTS & BAIL FORFEITURES		$ 4,265.00
MISCELLANEOUS COUNTY CREDITS		$ 3,060.31
TOTAL CREDITS		$20,271.47
TOTAL CHARGES IN EXCESS OF CREDITS		$13,158.57
PAYMENT BY COUNTY ORDER TO CLERK		$13,158.57

April Term 1975

CHARGES TO COUNTY:		
ALLOWANCE FOR CLERK & ASSISTANT	$26,884.67	
ALLOWANCE FOR CLERICAL HIRE	$27,584.26	
MISC. CASH DISBURSEMENTS	$ 91.60	
TOTAL CHARGES		$54,560.53
CREDITS TO COUNTY:		
FEES:		
NATURALIZATION	$ 462.50	
TRANSFERS TO SUPREME COURT	$ 625.00	
ENTRIES 1,419	$13,470.00	
ALL OTHER FEES	$ 9,109.15	$23,666.65
FINES, COSTS & BAIL FORFEITURES		$ 5,375.00
MISCELLANEOUS COUNTY CREDITS		$13,013.54
TOTAL CREDITS		$42,055.19
TOTAL CHARGES IN EXCESS OF CREDITS		$12,505.34
TOTAL CREDITS IN EXCESS OF CHARGES		$ 2,032.28
PAYMENT BY COUNTY ORDERS TO CLERK		$ 2,505.34
PAYMENT BY CHECKS OF CLERK TO COUNTY		$ 2,032.28

September Term 1975

CHARGES TO COUNTY:		
ALLOWANCE FOR CLERK & ASSISTANT	$13,333.32	
ALLOWANCE FOR CLERICAL HIRE	$28,893.67	
MISC. CASH DISBURSEMENTS	$ 74.08	
TOTAL CHARGES		$42,301.07
CREDITS TO COUNTY:		
FEES:		
TRANSFERS TO SUPREME COURT	$ 350.00	
ENTRIES 1,117	$10,315.00	
ALL OTHER FEES	$ 8,167.70	$18,832.70
FINES, COSTS & BAIL FORFEITURES	$15,335.00	
MISCELLANEOUS COUNTY CREDITS	$ 8,253.62	
TOTAL CREDITS		$42,421.32
TOTAL CHARGES IN EXCESS OF CREDITS		$ 2,832.68
PAYMENT BY COUNTY ORDER TO CLERK		$ 2,832.68
PAYMENT BY CHECKS OF CLERK TO COUNTY		$ 2,952.93

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

1975 DISPOSITION STATISTICS ON CRIMINAL CASES PROCESSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURT:

Individuals			744
FELONIES:			
Aggravated Assault	16		
Arson	23		
Burglary	113		
Manslaughter	2		
Rape	14		
Robbery	27		
Thefts and Frauds	112		
Drug	63		
Negligent Homicide and Other	27		
Juvenile	3		
Sex, Lascivious	16		
TOTAL FELONIES:		416	
MISDEMEANORS:			
Drug	44		
DWI	164		
Thefts and Frauds	35		
Traffic	176		
Other	174		
Juvenile	2		
TOTAL MISDEMEANORS		595	
TOTAL OFFENSES			1011
SENTENCES AND OTHER DISPOSITIONS:			
Jail or Prison	152		
State Hospital	11		
Youth Center, ASAP and Etc.	13		
Suspended Sentence	116		
Fines	208		
Continued for Sentence	140		
Probation	169		
Conditional Discharge and Restitution	51		
Unconditional Discharge	20		
* Dismissed by the State (Nol-Pros)	144		
* Dismissed by the Court	28		
* Remanded (Returned to District Court for original penalty)	237		
TOTAL DISPOSITIONS:		1011	1011

1975 STATISTICS (continued)

GUILTY PLEAS AND TRIALS:			
Guilty Plea	429		
Guilty to Lesser Offense	93		
Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity	14		
Jury Trials			
Guilty	22		
Not Guilty	12		
Jury Waived Trials			
Guilty	21		
Not Guilty	3		
*Dismissed, Remanded, Nol Pros	409		
TOTAL PLEAS AND TRIALS:		1003	1003
PROBATION (total)	169		
TOTAL DAYS IN JAIL AWAITING TRIAL	4,601		

1975 NOL-PROS EXPLANATION:	
Representation to Grand Jury	4
Consideration Guilty Plea/Plea to Lesser	32
See Waiver	1
Convicted in another County - related Offense	3
Request of Complaining Witness	20
Understanding or request of Arresting Department	5
Juvenile proceeding having dealt w/this prosecution	1
Insufficient evidence at time of trial	8
Material Witness refused to testify	7
Exemplary Conduct	2
Defendant Deceased	8
With Prejudice	1
Upon Motion of Defendant	5
To correct language of Indictment	4
Convicted by a Military Court - same offense	1
Witness Unavailable	20
Because of Bankruptcy	1
District Court failure to seasonably file appeal	1
Inexpedient to Try	5
Guilty Plea to Waiver	3
Court granting Defense Motion to suppress evidence	3
No Reason	1
Miscellaneous	8
TOTAL NOL-PROS	144

OFFICE OF REGISTER OF DEEDS
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY
EXETER, N. H. 03833

Edith E. Holland
REGISTER

Telephone: 603-772-4712

February 6, 1976

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY:

1975 was a busy and productive year for the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds with the sale of real estate increasing during the latter part of the year. The apparent value of Rockingham County real estate transferred in 1975 totalled $147,261,673.00 as compared with the total of $122,358,286.00 in 1974, as indicated by the transfer tax stamps. The volume of recordings increased from 22,418 in 1974 to 24,812 in 1975, indicating a 10.7% increase.

Under my administration of the Registry of Deeds, the receipts turned over to the county treasurer in 1975 totalled $174,552.84, an increase of $10,787.10 from the previous year. Thus the county treasury realized a surplus of $14,680.20 from this department over the actual operating expenses of $159,872.64. In addition, $25,618.75 is encumbered for continuing restoration of the records.

I wish to recognize my capable and dedicated staff who made possible the efficient operation of this department. Appreciation should also be given to the Board of County Commissioners and the County Delegation for their co-operative efforts.

Sincerely,

Edith E. Holland

Edith E. Holland
REGISTER OF DEEDS

REGISTER OF PROBATE

To The Honorable Board of Commissioners of Rockingham County:
The financial statement of the Rockingham County Register of Probate covering the period of January 1, 1975 to December 21 1975 is as follows:

Estimated Budget for 1975:

Salaries	$35,930.08	
Social Security	2,377.00	
Workman's Comp.	18.70	
Blue Cross	748.01	
Longevity	120.00	
Telephone	1,685.40	
Department Expense	11,250.00	$52,129.19
Estimated Revenue from Manpower		-6,134.37
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		$45,994.82

STATISTICS ON THE WORK OF THE PROBATE OFFICE FOR ROCKINGHAM COUNTY FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1975.

Adoptions	169
Change of Names	66
Conservators appointed	23
Guardians: Minors & Mentally Inc.	52
Wills allowed	277
Administrations allowed	191
Voluntary Administrations granted	134
Marriage Waivers granted	350
Death Certificates filed	39
Foreign Wills filed	43
NEW FILES OPENED	1334
Trustees appointed	22
Accounts allowed: Adm., Exrs.,Gdns. Cons. and Trustees	804
Licenses issued: Goods & Chattels, Real estate and Securities	321

This year we are nearing completion of microfilming our records from 1770 through 1890. At present we are one year ahead of our anticipated schedule and plan to continue to microfilm through the year 1965. The continued cooperation of all the County Officers is deeply appreciated.

THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Each year, this department, like others in Rockingham County, must report increased activity in every phase of operation commensurate with the more than 39% increase in the population of this County since 1960.

6,574 civil processes were received for service, many involving several defendant/respondents, which earned fees amounting to $118,507.98 in gross income paid over to the County Treasurer, plus $5,718 paid for recording fees to the Register of Deeds.

The number of calls, radio transmissions and teletype messages has reached the point where it is impractical to try to keep a count of them, and the numbers would serve no purpose since the need is well established.

Of the 346 Grand Jury indictments handed down this past year, 107 were obtained by the Sheriff's Department for criminal prosecution. Some of this number involved offenses against juveniles and were prosecution assisted by our juvenile officer (plus others handled at the district court level) who is concerned with child protection as well as with the apprehension and correction of delinquent children.

The full-time services of a female deputy have been added to this department this past year to aid in the investigation of sexual offenses against females, on the premise that a female victim can talk to another woman more easily than to a man. She will receive specialized training in that particular area in addition to the practical indoctrination she is already receiving.

Our radio supervisor serviced 175 mobile radio units, 125 portable radios and 35 base stations throughout the County, including the large transmitting facility at Saddleback Mountain. He also transferred 106 radio units from cruiser to cruiser for the various law enforcement communities in the County; provided flood lighting and emergency power in ten incidents involving four drownings, five fatal motor vehicle accidents and one fire adjacent to the Fremont Fire Station which interfered with the fire department's power supply.

The Polygraph examiner began his testing operations in February,1975 and, in his first year, administered 225 "lie detector" tests, plus six special tests designed for police applicants. He is one of only nine Polygraph examiners in the State of New Hampshire.

99 trips were made by Sheriff's deputies transporting prisoners to and from the State Prison, State Hospital and Valley Street and Thomaston, Maine facilities for women, as well as the uncounted number of trips between the County Jail and the Courthouse to deliver prisoners for appearances and trials. These trips contributed to the total cruiser mileage in excess of 600,000 miles for the year.

Our official photographer has his own developing and printing laboratory in this office and is on call for service to all the towns, 24 hours a day, in connection with any investigations involving the accumulation of pictorial evidence for the benefit of an investigating officer.

I would like to take this annual opportunity to extend my thanks to you, to the Sheriff's Sub-committee and to all the dedicated representatives to the County Convention who make it possible for us to fulfill our responsibility to the citizens of this County. We are no less indebted to the local law enforcement officers of all the towns and the city of our County as well as to the State Police, all of who are involved in the cooperative effort to maintain Rockingham County's established record of having the lowest crime rate in the State of New Hampshire.

GEORGE SAMPSON, HIGH SHERIFF
of ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

Financial Statement
January 1, 1975 - December 31, 1975

County Appropriation for 1975		$89,692.11
Funds on Hand		none
Total Approved Budget for 1975		$89,692.11
EXPENSES:		
Salaries - Agents	$36,584.52	
Salaries - Secretaries	27,588.61	
Salary - Custodian	978.35	
Work Study Aides (3)	782.21	
Social Security, Blue Cross, Retirement & County Benefits	2,875.58	
Travel - Agents	9,169.28	
GENERAL MAINTENANCE:		
Insurance	24.00	
Telephone	3,283.38	
Postage	361.98	
Rent - Halls	162.39	
Printing	580.00	
Repairs to Equipment	296.17	
Supplies & Materials	4,511.59	
Equipment (new)	1,454.25	
Fairs & Exhibits	123.34	
Council Travel	333.60	
Workmen's Compensation	582.86	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		$89,692.11
Balance		none

This statement includes all expenditures of the County Appropriated funds for the Rockingham County Extension Service. State and Federal Funds allotted to the Rockingham County Extension Service were paid in the form of salaries and some travel to the agents from the University of New Hampshire.

Edward F. Upham
County Agricultural Agent & Coordinator

Herman Hauschel
Treasurer

REPORT OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

Rather than explain programs offered in this report we prefer to present the broad range view of the Cooperative Extension Service.

The strength of the Cooperative Extension Service lies in its capability of linking certain "people needs" to reliable sources of knowledge. Continuing the University of New Hampshire Land Grant tradition and philosophy, the Cooperative Extension Service stands alone with successful cooperative economic and program support from federal, state, and local levels.

Unique in its mission, the Cooperative Extension Service continues to deliver knowledge from the research laboratory to the learner in his home community. Moving knowledge to learners as well as moving learners to knowledge remains a major goal of Extension.

Functioning outside the classroom,Extension is a source of factual information which forms a basis for decision making by the people. Programs are offered through the network of county-based staff members who are accessable to, and subject to, guidance by local citizens. Guidance in establishing Extension program priorities is provided by Extension Councils in each county composed of local citizens. Because of this close tie with the people it serves and its flexibility, Extension Program priorities are developed within the county according to the unique needs and problems of the area.

1975 COUNCIL MEMBERS

Representing Agriculture	Cleveland A. Webster, Kensington, Chairman Patrick Jackson, Epping William Schultz, Salem
Representing Home Economics	Mrs. Barbara Widen, Portsmouth Mrs. Sally Marden, Newton, Secretary Mrs. Viola Barbeau, Londonderry
Representing 4-H Youth Development	Mrs. Marilyn Bennotti, Raymond John Marden, Newton Mrs. Eleanor St Pierre, Hampton
Representing Forestry	Herman Hauschel, Newmarket, Treasurer Richard Gallant, Stratham Mrs. Sarah Curwood, Nottingham
Representing County Delegation	Mrs. Jane Kelley, Hampton

Extension Agents Serving Rockingham County are:

Agriculture & Office Coordinator	Edward F. Upham
Home Economics	Miss Ruth G. Stimson Mrs. Edith Lovering
4-H Youth Development	Harry B. Knox Mrs. Lynn B. Garland
Forestry	Stanley W. Knowles Thomas Rogers David Perkins

REPORT OF ADMINISTRATOR OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY HOME

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

The annual report of the Rockingham County Home for the year ending December 31, 1975 is herewith submitted:

DETAILS OF RECEIPTS: Board & Care	CASH RECEIVED	REVENUE TRANSFERS	NET ADJUSTED RECEIPTS
Mitchell Building:			
Dept. Public Welfare	245,097.61		245,097.61
Town	2,996.10		2,996.10
County	6,522.58		6,522.58
Fernald Building:			
Dept. Public Welfare	512,961.06		512,961.06
Town	25,337.34		25,337.34
County	10,464.69		10,464.69
Underhill Building:			
Dept. Public Welfare	461,673.13		461,673.13
Town	14,168.11		14,168.11
County	10,460.90		10,460.90
Blaisdell Building:			
Dept. Public Welfare	552.558.78		552,558.78
Town	54,917.94		54,917.94
County	7,367.60		7,367.60
Stroke Unit	10,589.80		10,589.80
Alcohol Program	3,199.20		3,199.20
Reimbursements for:			
Administration:			
Telephone Calls	555.95		555.95
Manpower - rent	4,100.00		4 ,100.00
Blue Cross Ins.	53.56		53.56
Dietary:			
Provisions & Supplies	56,240.84		56,240.84
Housekeeping:			
Salary - Janitor	145.32		145.32
Supplies	1,271.95		1,271.95
Medical & Nursing:			
Lab Tests	160.97		160.97
Nurses Pinafores	422.40		422.40
Pharmacy:			
Drugs	44,006.70		44,006.70
Cosmetology:			
Pts. Hairdressing	3,006.00		3,006.00

Miscellaneous:			
Auction	2,333.50		2,333.50
Manpower Salary Reimb.	8,757.98	8,757.98	
Alcohol Program Supplies	641.67	641.67	
Encumbered Transfer	1,069.64	1,069.64	
Revenue Sharing	28,788.80		28,788.80
COUNTY HOME	2,069,870.12	10,469.29	2,059,400.83

DETAILS OF PAYMENTS

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT:		
PASTORAL CARE:		
Salaries	6,194.79	
Supplies	65.95	
In-Service Train. & Conf.	29.50	
Miscellaneous	144.30	
		6,434.54
ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries	137,136.28	
Office Supplies	8,565.45	
Equipment	3,792.30	
Equipment Repairs	363.82	
Telephone	12,288.06	
Bonds & Insurance	321.00	
Accounting & Auditing	1,285.00	
Membership Fees & Dues	355.00	
Vital Statistics	57.15	
Advertisements	941.08	
Express & Freight	166.76	
Travel Expense	935.82	
Publications	442.75	
Continuing Education	2,075.73	
Social Security	119,999.31	
State Retirement	11,891.56	
Five Year Increment	2,580.00	
Blue Cross Ins. Benefit	32,218.08	
Workmens Compensation	14,843.75	
Program on Alcohol & Drug Abuse	189.36	
		350,448.26

DIETARY DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries	244,711.19	
Supplies General	2,126.15	
Supplies Dishwashing	5,040.09	
Supplies Paper Goods	10,344.66	
Supplies Tableware	2,415.05	
Equipment	714.62	
Equipment Repairs	2,127.21	
Provisions	239,431.86	
Fuel	1,843.02	
		508,753.85
SAFETY DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries	26,128.69	
Supplies & Expense	391.58	
		26,520.27
HOUSEKEEPING DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries	154,999.63	
Supplies	15,817.81	
Equipment	1,791.00	
Equipment Repairs	235.09	
Purchased Services	948.91	
Furnishings	958.69	
		174,751.13
LAUNDRY DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries	48,480.47	
Supplies	10,386.21	
Equipment	239.57	
Equipment Repairs	2,897.66	
		62,003.91
LINEN DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries	21,809.97	
Supplies	149.55	
Linen & Bedding	3,890.24	
Mattresses, Etc.	1,149.13	
Patient Clothing	3,211.02	
Equipment		
Equipment Repairs	24.50	
		30,234.41
MEDICAL & NURSING DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries Doctors	20,746.43	
Salaries Consultants	270.56	
Salaries Nursing	1,260,198.10	
Supplies General	6,863.68	
Medical Supplies	32,394.05	
Medical Record Forms	1,224.95	
Canteen	1,050.94	

Oxygen Supply	1,167.35	
Equipment	3,259.65	
Equipment Repairs	2,242.95	
Purchased Services	152.00	
Outside Hospital	283.72	
Laboratory Tests	631.06	
Electrocardiograms	109.50	
Accts Rec. Refunds	5,126.47	
Pinafores	397.50	
		1,336,118.91
PHARMACY DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries	12,053.13	
Drugs	55,488.13	
		67,541.26
COSMETOLOGY DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries	8,500.57	
Supplies & Expenses	498.15	
		8,998.72
PHYSICAL THERAPY DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries	43,366.56	
Supplies & Expenses	901.70	
Equipment	829.67	
Equipment Repairs	703.30	
		45,801.23
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries	35,509.72	
Supplies & Expenses	627.40	
Equipment & Repairs	262.39	
		36,399.51
SPEECH THERAPY DEPARTMENT:		
Salaries	1,559.00	
		1,559.00
MAINTENANCE:		
Labor & Supplies	377,502.72	
		377,502.72
		3,033,067.72

SUMMARY FOR YEAR 1975

	CASH RECEIVED	DISBURSEMENTS
January	48,112.45	182,970.68
February	138,291.69	240,394.13
March	151,478.15	223,071.44
April	219,480.72	312.658.70
May	87,040.23	250,103.08
June	140,265.65	220,815.82
July	127,602.46	246.601.59
August	192,267.58	248,304.70
September	180,734.79	217,994.29
October	197,014.79	345,243.97
November	202,935.42	232,513.89
December	384,646.19	321.795.08
	2,069,870.12	3,042,467.37
Revenue Transfers	10,469.29	
Adjusted Receipts	2,059,400.83	
1975 Budget Estimated Receipts	2,042,753.26	
Net Receipts in Excess of Estimate	16,647.57	
1975 General Appropriation		3,083,808.64
1975 Disbursements	3,042,467.37	
Less Revenue Transfers	9,399.65	
		3,033,067.72
	Unexpended Balance	50,740.92
	Total Disbursements	3,033,067.72
	Less Net Receipts	2,059,400.83
	Actual Cost to County for operation of County Home	973,666.89

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR
1975

This year represents another "progress" year in the medical care of patients in our institution.

The members of the Medical Staff continue to provide daily clinical rounds, and have been supported by the assistance of two physician's assistants, Michael Lewis and Paul Sylvester.

In addition to the glaucoma screening program, the speech therapist has evaluated hearing loss in patients by using the audiology machine recently acquired through the generosity of an anonymous contributor.

The Radiology Department has been completed and will be functional in 1976.

A dental department is presently being outfitted and staffed, and will take care of all general dental problems.

A formal medical records department has been established and has met the requirements of the State law. Mrs. Emogene Clark is Medical Records Librarian and has kindly organized a new medical library which is essential in the basic medical education of all our staff.

Charles R. DeLuccia, M.D. - Medical Director

DEPARTMENT OF PASTORAL CARE
1975

The Department has had a meaningful year of ministry. In February, Rev. Sharon Freeto was added to the staff, working one day a week. Revs. Fisher and Freeto have visited all new residents, called on the wards weekly, counseled bereaved individuals (including family), consulted with the staff, and overseen two Sunday worship services. During religious seasons arrangements have been made for special services for the community.

In-service training classes have learned of the Department's role in patient care. In May the Department presented a "Death and Dying" seminar to all three shifts. In April, Father Roland Hamel from Epping began responsibility for the Catholic Mass while Father Langevin continued to visit.

Local church involvement has been encouraged with numerous youth groups, choirs, and women's groups coming to the Home. A Bible study group meets every Wednesday, led by Carol Spofford. Twenty-two different clergy have been directly involved with the worship or visitation or both. A card file listing according to home town facilitates ward calling.

The Chapel received 75 Pilgrim Hymnals from the Congregational Church in Lee. And in December a green handwoven linen altar cloth, made by Mrs. Eva Lique, was presented to the Chapel.

Rev. George C. Fisher, Director, Department of Pastoral Care.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SUMMARY

We have come to the close of another year, and in retrospect would like to present some of the more important phases of the institution's developments during this year.

Our ICF (Intermediate Care Facility) license was issued to the Home with the stipulation that our present Underhill Building be renovated to comply with those regulations. We are confident that this building will be in conformity with the regulations before the end of 1976, thus making the Home one of the finest, if not the finest, in the State of New Hampshire.

In line with this goal, we have added a Medical Records Library with a full-time Librarian and also now employ a full-time Pharmacist. These, plus the addition of a Speech Therapist under contract from the Portsmouth Rehab Center, will all add immeasurably to the medical care the residents are now receiving. Plans for our X-ray and Dental Departments are almost complete and will be in operation shortly to benefit further all who reside here. Eventually we expect to have a Geriatrics Nurse Practitioner, undoubtedly the first in the State, to assist the staff physicians in alleviating their workload.

A new procedure of bidding has resulted in substantial savings in our day-to-day operations. In addition, the conclusions of a comprehensive study of nursing hours was implemented, thus effecting a considerable saving without sacrificing patient care and still maintaining the Home above the national nursing staff average.

We are most grateful to the citizens of Rockingham County for their evidence of interest and concern in the administration of the institution and the comfort and happiness of our patients through the many contributions of their volunteer time and donations. This tremendously increased desire of the citizens of the County to assist in these many ways is gratefully acknowledged by the administration and staff.

In closing, I wish to express to the County Commissioners my appreciation of their counsel and encouragement in carrying on the work of the institution. I also wish to convey my thanks to all employees for their continuing dedication and cooperation.

Harold H. Horrocks, Administrator

ANNUAL STATISTICS
PATIENTS AT
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY HOME

Total Census, January 1, 1975	301
Total Admissions	158
Total Discharges	158
Total Census, December 31, 1975	301
Deaths	78
Total Patient Days	109,780
Daily Average Patients	300.77
Highest Census	305
Lowest Census	293
Daily Average: Underhill Building	80.34
Daily Average: Fernald Building	83.59
Daily Average: Mitchell Building	38.91
Daily Average: Blaisdell Building	97.92
Average Age of Patients Census of Dec. 31, 1975	77.80
Average Age of Patients at Death	84.32
Average Length of Stay of Discharged Patients	1 year, 9 months, 20 days

Harold H. Horrocks, Administrator

INVENTORY OF LIVESTOCK
December 31, 1975

Brood Cows	105
Beef Herd	16
Heifers - 1 mo. to 1 yr.	30
Steers - over 6 mos. to 1 yr.	30
Bulls	3
Boars	2
Sows	57
Shoats	103
Butcher Hogs	160

MEAT FOR YEAR 1975

Beef dressed and consumed	28,000 lbs.
Pork dressed and consumed	43,050 lbs.

VEGETABLE CROPS FOR YEAR 1975

Cabbage	150 bu.
Lettuce	55 crates
Wax Beans	25 bu.
Summer Squash	133 bu.
Radishes	3 bu.
Cauliflower	42 bu.
Carrots	51 bu.
Sweet Corn (5 dz. to bushel)	230 bu.
Tomatoes	217 bu.
Swiss Chard	27 bu.
Cucumbers	54 bu.
Peppers	12 bu.
Beet Greens	65 crates
Beets	15 bu.
Butternut Squash	400 bu.
Turnip	15 bu.
Spinach	35½ crates
Onions	1,600 lbs.
Celery	10 bu.
Peas	20 bu.
Potatoes	2,108 bu.

455 dozen Sweet Corn sold at roadside stand

OTHER CROPS FOR YEAR 1975

Hay - 1st Cutting	275 ton
Hay - 2nd Cutting	125 ton
Hay - 3rd & 4th Cutting	75 ton
Grass Haylage	300 ton
Corn Silage	1,875 ton

COUNTY JAIL/HOUSE OF CORRECTION

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Our County Jail/House of Correction is this year eligible to celebrate its centennial anniversary, having been constructed in 1876. In spite of its age, it is in excellent condition overall and will probably still be in use, with continued maintenance and some additions, for another hundred years.

The total number of inmate days at the joint facility in 1975 reached 17,201 days - as compared with the 1965 total of 10,695 days, a 60% increase. In addition to our own inmates, we also temporarily accommodated Strafford County inmates and guards for a total of 614 resident days over a 34-day period following a fire at the Strafford County Jail on August 25, 1975.

A new electric locking system has been installed to control all access doors in the interior of the facility; additional monitoring equipment is presently in the last phase of development, establishing an intercom system throughout the facility; painting and sandblasting of the interior is almost completed and new fencing is being readied for erection in the early Spring.

Although the interior of the Jail/House of Correction has been and is being modernized with all kinds of safekeeping devices and sanitary facilities, the human need for an outlet for energy, especially in the age group most often in custody, has led to unnecessary problems and could lead to even more severe problems unless these men can have the opportunity to work off their youthful energy and frustrations through structured physical recreation. Books hold no interest for most of them, and those awaiting trial, who don't work, as well as sentenced men - whether or not they work, too often spend their free time in thinking of ways to circumvent the rigid conditions of imprisonment by causing some kind of "mischief" - which they equate with excitement. Physical activity through recreation could fill that need and channel their energies to something other than troublemaking and vandalism.

No modern facility houses convicted men in the same area with men who are awaiting trial, for reasons too obvious to go into. Although we are able to separate them by tier, it is not a true segregation and should be corrected.

For these, and other reasons which I have set forth in my letter to you, I am emphasizing the imperative nature of my request for immediate construction of an addition to the present facility. The need has been recognized for a number of years: now, action must be taken to satisfy the need. I would appreciate your cooperation in presenting this request for the attention of the County Convention and the Building Committee.

GEORGE SAMPSON, HIGH SHERIFF
of ROCKINGHAM COUNTY